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REDS TAKE NANNING, ADVANCE IN SZECHUAN Pai's Troops Withdrawing To Hainan Island CLAMOUR FOR CHIANG

Nanning, big West Kwangsi town, has been occupied by the Communist People's Liberation Army. In Szechuan, the Communist forces have gained more ground in their drive to Chengtu.

Appeal Made To Malayan Terrorists

London, December 6.
The Colonial Office announced today that local residents and associations in Malaya have issued an appeal to the terrorists "to stop immediately the unnecessary armed struggle" and to surrender.

Businessmen In Canton Squeezed

The Communist Peoples Municipal Government of Canton has demanded a loan of JPY5150,000,000,000 from the city businessmen.

TYPHOON REPORT

Manila, December 6.
Reports reaching the Philippine National Red Cross today said that one person was killed, while roads and a bridge were damaged in the South Philippine island of Bohol as a result of the typhoon which has been lashing the Visayan islands since Sunday.

THE WEATHER

At 0000 GMT (2 p.m. HKT) the tropical storm centred over SE coast of Palawan is gradually filling up. The surge of NE monsoon is blowing over Taiwan Strait and moving slowly Southward. Pressure is high all over China.

Simon The Second



Simon, black and white snip's cat of the frigate Amethyst, who died in quarantine, has a successor — Simon the Second (shown above). Simon the Second, a three-month-old kitten, joined the ship's company at Plymouth. The original Simon was awarded the animal Victoria Cross — the Dickin Medal — for his gallantry in continuing to catch rats while the frigate was under Communist shellfire in the Yangtze this summer. (AP Photo).

No Interference With Missions In South China

Missionaries of foreign Christian societies who decided to remain in South China when the Kuomintang withdrew are unanimously agreed that the Communist authorities have shown justice and fairness in their relations with them, the "China Mail" learned yesterday.

From a wealth of correspondence relating to missionary work made available to the "China Mail" the impression was conveyed of uninterrupted Christian endeavour without either official blessing or official obstruction.

The letters to Hong Kong, from centres like Canton and Hankow, painted a picture of Communist fair play and good sense which completely belie earlier reports of hardships and mental suffering.

According to them, there has been no interference in Christian work, no pressure for alteration of curriculum, no demand for the rejection of the principle of Christianity in educational practice.

They likened the advent of the Communists to a change of regime in England or the United States, where one party leaves and another takes over without and alteration in the outward symbols of life.

The missionaries did not lavish praise on the Communist authorities, and did not attempt to hide their uncertainty of the future. But they expressed profound satisfaction over the smoothness of the Communist assumption of power, the unpretentious behaviour of the new ruling class, and the keen sense of responsibility which seems to guide their every action.

One letter from Canton, after describing how the Communists had politely requested temporary billeting for members of their Army Medical Corps in one of the buildings of the state expenditure.

"To facilitate its spreading, this productive construction work should be made into a movement, and a long term plan and concrete steps for such a production movement should be worked out. The kinds of production should, with the permission of the People's Government, be limited to agriculture, stock raising, fishery, irrigation works, handicraft, construction works and industry and transportation which can be engaged in by the people.

ELSIE MOLLER FIRED ON BY REDS AT WOOSUNG

Communist artillery batteries at the mouth of the Yangtze fired on, and shot the rudder off, the British ship ss. Elsie Moller as the ship was attempting to proceed to Hong Kong.

A small tug boat is now towing the Elsie Moller back to Hong Kong, and is expected to arrive later this week.

The Moller ship had broken the Shanghai blockade late in November, and, after discharging cargo, was proceeding towards the high seas on the North Channel when Communist guns of Woosung fort opened fire.

Though the Elsie Moller was aground for several days, she finally was able to break through and on November 30, she was taken in tow by a Hong Kong tug boat.

There were no casualties. The four ships were then given permission to remain at anchor where they were—slightly inside territorial waters—but the warships kept constant surveillance over them.

A shipping official said that after the ss. Esang had waited 10 more days, she was ordered back to Hong Kong rather than risk lives or the ship by running the blockade.

The Choice
He added: "The only alternatives to the problem of trading with Shanghai seem to be the British recognition of the Communist warships—which would then make the Nationalist warships pirates—taking the risk of breaking the blockade such as the American Esang, or not running the blockade at all."

Threat To Fire
After the Esang had waited three weeks for a chance to run the blockade, her owners, Jardine, Matheson, ordered her to return to Hong Kong.

On November 20, the Esang made a run to enter Shanghai, but a Nationalist warship stopped her and ordered her to go outside territorial waters or else be fired upon.

The Esang retired beyond territorial waters.

On November 24, four ships entered territorial waters, and the masters requested a conference with the Nationalist warship commander.

The ships were the Esang, the Butterfield and Swire ship Ninghai, and the ss. Inchmully and the ss. Esang.

Answer To Chou En-lai's Warning

Property disputes in British territory are governed by the rule of law, not by any executive action on the part of Government, it was officially stated yesterday.

The statement was made in connection with the warning by the Chinese Communist Premier, Mr. Chou En-lai, that Hong Kong Government would be held responsible for any encroachment or damage suffered by GNAC and CATC assets here.

The Public Relations Officer said that the Hong Kong Government feels that there seems to be confusion in some quarters as to the position when property is in dispute in British territory.

He added: "Such disputes in British territory are governed by the rule of law and not by any executive action on the part of the Government."

"It is important that this principle should be clearly understood."

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Li Tsung-jen Arrives In Honolulu

Honolulu, December 6.
Li Tsung-jen, Acting President to tottering Nationalist China, arrived by Pan American Airways today from Hong Kong.

Through an interpreter in the early hours before dawn, he said his sole purpose in coming to the United States was to obtain medical aid for a severe stomach ailment.

Lieutenant Jen Wang-shih, Li's military aide, said the Acting President could make no comment on political or military events in China during the past few days because he was not abreast of developments.

Wang said Li was too tired and ill for a new conference. But after Li's medical aid and his two sons amicably greeted a Chinese delegation at the airport, they went for a drive around Honolulu.

Wang was shown an Associated Press story quoting Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek in Chengtu, as saying Li had been expected to return to China from Hong Kong to help cope with the Communist situation but had left the country instead. After reading it, Wang said:

Li left the country as the Acting President of China and he is still Acting President of China."

Imports Of Vegetables From Canton

More plentiful supplies and a larger variety of fresh vegetables will be available to housewives later in the week as arrangements are being completed with the Canton authorities by Hong Kong vegetable importers for large-scale importations by rail to Shumchyn and thenceforth by water to Hong Kong.

This route will reduce by two to three days the time now taken for bringing in fresh vegetables into the Colony via Shekai and Macao.

The new arrangement will, it is expected, reduce the price of vegetables HK\$12 to HK\$8 a picul, the reason for reduced transportation charges and less wastage as a result of the shorter time in transit.

Vegetable importers told the "China Mail" that under the new arrangements, vegetables leaving Canton should take less than 24 hours to get to the markets in Hong Kong.

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Rotarians Asked To Support Essential Services Corps

Mr. K. Ashdown, Commissioner of the newly-formed Essential Services Corps, explained in a talk before the Hong Kong Rotary Club yesterday the organisation and aims of the Corps. He said that blank application forms for enrolment in the Corps had already been sent out to 77 different firms, Chambers of Commerce and clubs, and many others had been handed to applicants who had called at the office of the Corps.

Completed forms returned number 266, comprising 138 from Chinese applicants, and 128 from those of other nationalities.

The purpose of the Essential Services Corps is to provide a vital service for the community of Hong Kong, that of ensuring the preservation of our life line in times of emergency. As Mr. Ashdown said, the Corps is a body of men, women and children, who are trained in the use of all the modern methods of communication, and who are also trained in the use of all the modern methods of transport, and who are also trained in the use of all the modern methods of defence.

The reason for the establishment of the Essential Services Corps is well appreciated by everyone. It is estimated that in the event of an emergency a considerable number of volunteers might be required to assist in maintaining the essential services. It is estimated that in the event of an emergency a considerable number of volunteers might be required to assist in maintaining the essential services. It is estimated that in the event of an emergency a considerable number of volunteers might be required to assist in maintaining the essential services.

Civilian Affairs

A Bill to make legislative provision for the establishment of the Corps was given a first reading in the Legislative Council on Wednesday, November 23. The Bill provides that all matters relating to the organisation of the Corps shall be prescribed by Regulations. The detailed compilation of these Regulations is now in the final stages and will become effective during the present week. The Bill provides that all matters relating to the organisation of the Corps shall be prescribed by Regulations. The detailed compilation of these Regulations is now in the final stages and will become effective during the present week.



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Up To The Individual

I wish to enlist your valuable aid in advancing the cause of the Essential Services Corps among your friends and associates and encouraging as many likely volunteers as possible to join. The Essential Services Corps is of course not the only volunteer body in the Colony. The Special Constabulary and the Hong Kong Defence Force still require more recruits who have a heart for those forms of service. Colonel Fisher, the Senior Staff Officer of the Hong Kong Defence Force, gave a talk over Radio Hong Kong on November 26 explaining the present position with regard to that Force.

Six Grades

For purpose of determining the relative responsibility at present to emergency duties, members of the Corps will be divided into six different Grades beginning with Grade I upwards to Grade VI.

For purposes of pay and allowances and pensions benefits and for these purposes only the Grades are related to military ranks of the Defence Force. Grade I corresponds to Private, Grade II to Corporal, Grade III to Staff Sergeant or C.Q.M.S., Grade IV to Lieutenant, Grade V to Captain, and Grade VI to Major.

Allowances consist of a married allowance for married members and out of living allowance. Similarly, in case of permanent injury or death resulting from actual service a member or his dependents will be eligible to apply for pension benefits on exactly the same terms and conditions as the same ranks in the Defence Force volunteers of corresponding rank.

The Corps will be organised in Units and Sub-Units corresponding to the various essential services. Unit Controllers will be the most senior civilian members, operating the essential services, that is to say the men on the spot who know what has to be done and what personnel is required to do it.

Procedure Of Enrolment

Enrolment. When applications to join the Corps have been accepted, enrolment consists of signing a brief declaration that the member undertakes to serve with the Corps whenever called upon to do so in accordance with the Ordinance and Regulations made thereunder.

Resignation can be effected by simply giving seven days notice except during an emergency. Medical. Optional but important for two reasons. (1) To enable us to know what type of work a member is capable of doing. (2) In case of claims for compensation for injury.

Actual enrolment of members in the Corps cannot begin until the Ordinance becomes effective but in order not to delay recruitment a generous supply of blank application forms has been distributed to as many as 77 different firms, Chambers of Commerce, and Clubs. In addition many forms have been handed to applicants who have called at the office of the Corps or the ground floor of King's Building on Connaught Road. Completed forms have begun to come in and the number of these to date is 266, comprising 138 from Chinese applicants, and 128 from those of other nationalities.

This is a fair start and it is reasonable to forecast that when the legislation is completed and the Regulations published, the rate of recruitment will increase.

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It was a busy morning at Kai Tak yesterday when more than 300 people arrived from Kunming in seven CAT aircraft. The passengers were predominantly Nationalist personnel and their wives and children. Picture above shows passengers disembarking from a CAT plane which arrived in the Colony yesterday from Kunming. ("China Mail" Photo).

Nationalist Officials Fleeing Kunming

The terminal building at Kai Tak was stacked high with heavy luggage and personal belongings yesterday morning as plane loads of people fleeing from Kunming were disembarked here.

Gets 12 Years On Menaces Charge

Twelve years' hard labour was meted out to Mak Fat, aged 29, yesterday at the Criminal Sessions when he was convicted of sending two threatening letters to a former employer demanding \$3,000, in September, this year. Mr. Justice Williams, senior Puisne Judge, on hearing Mak's plea for leniency, remarked that the accused must know that this type of offence was treated by the Court with the greatest severity.

The jury, comprising four men and three women, unanimously found the accused guilty after a 15 minute deliberation. Mak was not legally represented. The prosecution was conducted by Mr. J. Reynolds, Crown Counsel, assisted by Detective Sub-Inspector C. Pope.

\$3,000 Demanded

The complainant was Wan Hing, of 19 Fourth Street, second floor. The letters he received instructed him to pay the \$3,000 at a certain place in Shumchun, across the New Territories border. Mak was thereupon handed the letters to the police. The accused was eventually arrested with the aid of the Chinese authorities and handed over to the Hong Kong Police, after which he made certain statements in answer to the charges.

Testifying on his own behalf, the accused denied the allegations against him. He claimed he did not make the statements attributed to him by the police, and alleged he was told to sign certain blank papers put before him by them.

Lee Yeung-kin, 27-year-old widow, was cautioned by Mr. James Wicks at Kowloon yesterday on a charge failure to register a death.

Saying that the police were not pressing the case, Inspector J. Orem told the Court that the charge against her arose out of an investigation involving her husband, Ho Kan, who was arrested on May 18. He was released.

Later the police, continuing their investigation, found that Ho had died on July 18 of natural causes. Defendant was said to have failed to make a report due to ignorance.

Plane From Chengtu

Only one plane (also CAT) arrived in Hong Kong yesterday from Chengtu. This aircraft brought some 20 passengers—evacuating Nationalist officials and their families—who were going through to Taipei.

These passengers, looking tired and weary, would not speak of the situation in Chengtu. Some, however, mentioned that they were glad to be able to get out adding that transportation out of the city was at a very high premium, and many will be left behind.

Pacific Airways have been taking part in the airlift from Kunming since Sunday. The airline has been engaged in regular chartered flights from Kunming to Hong Kong. CPA officials would not divulge the characters. It is believed, however, that the CPA aircraft are flying Nationalist officials from Kunming. Two CPA planes arrived here late yesterday afternoon with full loads.

Airline service to and from Kunming and Chengtu are still operating, as far as is known, but it is expected that more fleeing Nationalists are expected to arrive.

Father Ryan's Lecture

The Rev. Fr. Ryan will have a magnificent subject for illustration when he discusses Handel and the English Oratorio in the third of his series of lectures this evening.

The composer of the Messiah is claimed as an Englishman although, in fact, he was born in Germany and lived there until the age of 25 years.

He became a naturalised British subject, and most of his greatest works were composed in England.

Handel's early work was concentrated mainly on the opera following closely the Italian tradition. It was not until after he became a permanent resident in England that he developed into this great master of Oratorio.

Handel, like Purcell before him, was a court musician, receiving the favour of George I and II. His father died when he was 11. He was educated at the Charterhouse School, and at 15 he was sent to the University of Halle.

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Nine Dragons Services Club, Dancing Club, 2.30 p.m.; Services Spotlight, 9 p.m.; Legislative Council meeting, 2.30 p.m.
The H. meeting, 60, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.
European YMCA Literary and Debating Group meeting talk on "Administration of Justice in the Colony" by Sir Leslie Gibson, Chief Justice, 8.45 p.m.
Dancing Class (admission free) at European YMCA, for Servicemen, 8 p.m.
Maryknoll Convent School, prize giving day, 6 p.m.
St. Stephen's Girls College Speech Day, 6.15 p.m.
Kil Art Club annual dinner dance, China Fleet Club, 8 p.m. (for details from Mrs. Angus, Tel. 32401).

Coming Events

TOMORROW
Kowloon Rotary Club luncheon meeting, talk on "Ten Years in the Hsiang River Valley" by Rev. W. P. Blackstone, Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.
Y's Men's Club weekly luncheon, Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.
HK Women's International Club, Dance for Servicemen, 7.30 p.m.
British Council weekly film show, Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.
Nine Dragons Services Club, Quiz, 8 p.m.
HK Union Church, Ladies Guild meeting Church hall, Kennedy Road, 8 p.m.
FRIDAY
Royal Hong Kong Golf Club annual general meeting, Roof Garden HK Hotel, 5.30 p.m.
Nine Dragons Services Club, Tombola, 8 p.m.

BRITISH DECORATIONS

Residents who have British decorations have been requested to send details to the Librarian, Colonial Secretary, by Monday. The year in which the decorations were conferred should be given. This does not apply to members of the Forces.

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FREE WORLD LABOUR MEETING ENDS

London, December 5.

The Free World Labour Conference, meeting here, ended its seven days' session today without having taken the expected formal decision to create a new trade union international. The new organisation will not come into existence until next Wednesday because of several differences of opinion at today's session.

During a discussion of the proposed Constitution for the new International, Signor Giulio Pastore, of the General Confederation of Italian Labour, sought to have a clause inserted to insure maximum facilities for the emigration of workers from over-populated countries.

Mr. J. H. Oldenbrook, of Holland, speaking for the Preparatory Committee, said that such a large issue should have been raised earlier. The Italian proposal was lost by 21 votes to 52.

Among those voting for Signor Pastore's amendment were the members of the French Christian Trade Workers Union and the representatives of the American Congress of Industrial Organizations, headed by Mr. Walter Reuther.

Several delegations wanted to amend the composition of the Executive Board provided by the new Constitution. The Lebanese delegation was anxious to guarantee that the Near Eastern countries should be represented. The Mauritius delegation wanted two seats instead of one for Africa, and the Italians proposed five seats instead of four for Europe.

Application From Belgium

Mr. Oldenbrook said bigger representation could be given when affiliated organisations increased their membership strength.

Signor Eulacio Parri, of the Italian Federation of Labour, sought five seats instead of four for the European movements in order to aid them in their struggle against Communism.

None of these compositions had been voted on nor had the draft Constitution been accepted when the Conference adjourned to-night. The discussion of the Constitution and the voting will now take place early on Wednesday immediately before the opening of the first Congress of the new Confederation.

During the discussion, it was announced by the Chairman that the Credentials Committee had requested the admission to the Conference of a representative of the Belgian Christian Trade Union, representing 550,000 members.

This was the first intimation that any of the excluded Christian unions had decided to attend the Conference following the belated invitations approved by the Conference last week.

More than 150 amendments had been proposed to the draft Constitution. The agreed document provides:

The new International shall be called the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions. There shall be a Congress meeting every two years. The new International shall be composed of delegates of affiliated national centres and individual trade unions.

Executive Board

These Congresses shall seek to secure the widest possible measures of agreement rather than decisions by a simple majority. Between Congresses a General Council which shall be elected from all affiliated organisations on a membership basis, will deal with the business of the International.

The Congress will elect an Executive Board of 19 members, Europe and North America each nominating four, Asia and the Middle East nominating three, Britain and Latin America each nominating two and Africa, Australia and New Zealand and the West Indies each nominating one.

The Executive Board will meet at least twice a year and shall elect from among its members a sub-committee of seven to be consulted when urgent or important questions must be dealt with between its meetings.

BRITAIN SHOULD QUIT UN

London, December 6. Lord Beaverbrook's Empire-minded Sunday Express accused the United Nations today of making its first move to pluck the British Empire to pieces, and urged Britain to withdraw from the U.N.

The United Nations Assembly on Friday beat down the British opposition and adopted 10 measures designed to throw more light on the world's non-self-governing peoples. It was done despite a last minute speech by Mr. Hector McNeil, the British Minister of State, in which he declared that Britain would not be bound by any UN decision on such a matter.

He said Britain cannot accept international interference with any areas now under the British flag.

In its lead editorial, the Sunday Express said the United Nations had voted to install itself "as a super-government in our colonial possessions."

"The jacks are leaping on the (British) lion because they think he is mummy," the paper said. "It is time to show them there is life, vigour and a good roar in him yet."

"There is only one effective reply we can make, that is to get out of the United Nations lock, stock and barrel. A union of the nations of the world for peace and the advancement of mankind is the highest of ideals but in the present state of men's minds the United Nations is a crazy, dangerous institution."

"Truly we have come to a pitiable state when we have Egyptians, Russians, Mexicans, and a variety of Asiatics claiming the ability to shape men's lives more wisely than we can." Associated Press

RED "BARBARITY" IN GERMANY

Hamburg, December 5. An 80-year-old German farmer was shot dead by East zone guards on the British-Soviet frontier. He was in the corner of one of his own fields, across which the boundary cuts to a depth only sufficient to take his body.

Reporting the incident, the British Frontier Control Inspector added, "The Russians later refused to allow him to be buried in the British zone. This is only one of many barbaric incidents and it is felt that more publicity should be given, not only in Germany but throughout the world to such conduct." Associated Press.



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Shirley Gets Her Divorce

Hollywood, December 6. Shirley Temple, aged 21, today won a divorce in 30 minutes. The actress told the Judge that her actor husband, John Agar, hugged and kissed an 18-year-old woman in her presence and went out with other girls while she was expecting a baby. Wearing a chic gray wool suit and a miserable expression, Shirley told the Judge that her husband's actions were sickening. — United Press.

OBJECTION TO BONN AGREEMENT

Dusseldorf, December 6. Dr. Kurt Schumacher, West German Socialist leader, said here today that his Party would declare the Bonn Agreement as unconstitutional unless it was ratified by a Parliamentary majority.

Addressing a large crowd at a Social Democratic Party meeting, Dr. Schumacher said that the approach between the Federal Government and certain capitalist countries of Europe was not a reconciliation between nations but the conversion of Western Europe into a joint stock company.

He blamed the Federal Government for trying to eliminate the influence of Parliament and to rule more or less dictatorially after experiencing that it could not stand up the Opposition on a Parliamentary basis.

Turning to Communist allegations that his Party was dependent upon certain foreign politicians, Dr. Schumacher declared that no foreign personalities had ever tried to gain influence on him or his Party.

Referring to the Saar problem, Dr. Schumacher said that the Saar was a part of Germany and thus could not have its own delegates in the European Council. — Reuter.

Ottawa, December 5. The House of Commons today unanimously passed a bill providing stiff penalties for publishers of crime comics and sex literature. — United Press.

Plight Of Trade Union Leaders In Manchuria

London, December 6. Mr. Liang Yung-chang of the Chinese National Federation of Labour charged today that free trade union leaders in Manchuria had either disappeared or had been kidnapped by the Communists.

"Workers in China have tried in every possible way to cooperate with the government to defeat the Communists," he told the Free World Labour Conference here. "Russian occupation of Manchuria has brought unemployment and misery to workers who have been exploited."

Mr. Liang, who insisted on finishing his speech despite a stern admonishment by the conference chairman for exceeding his time, finally was persuaded by a TUC official to leave the rostrum.

Mr. Percy Bengough of the Labour Congress of Canada said his organisation was taking steps to eliminate Communists from its ranks. — United Press.

THREE HINTS TO BERLINERS

Berlin, December 5. The East German News Agency today issued and later withdrew hints to Berliners on what to do on Stalin's 70th birthday on December 21.

"Hang out flags, decorate streets and attend lectures and exhibitions which will help you become acquainted with the life and work of the Generalissimo," it advised.

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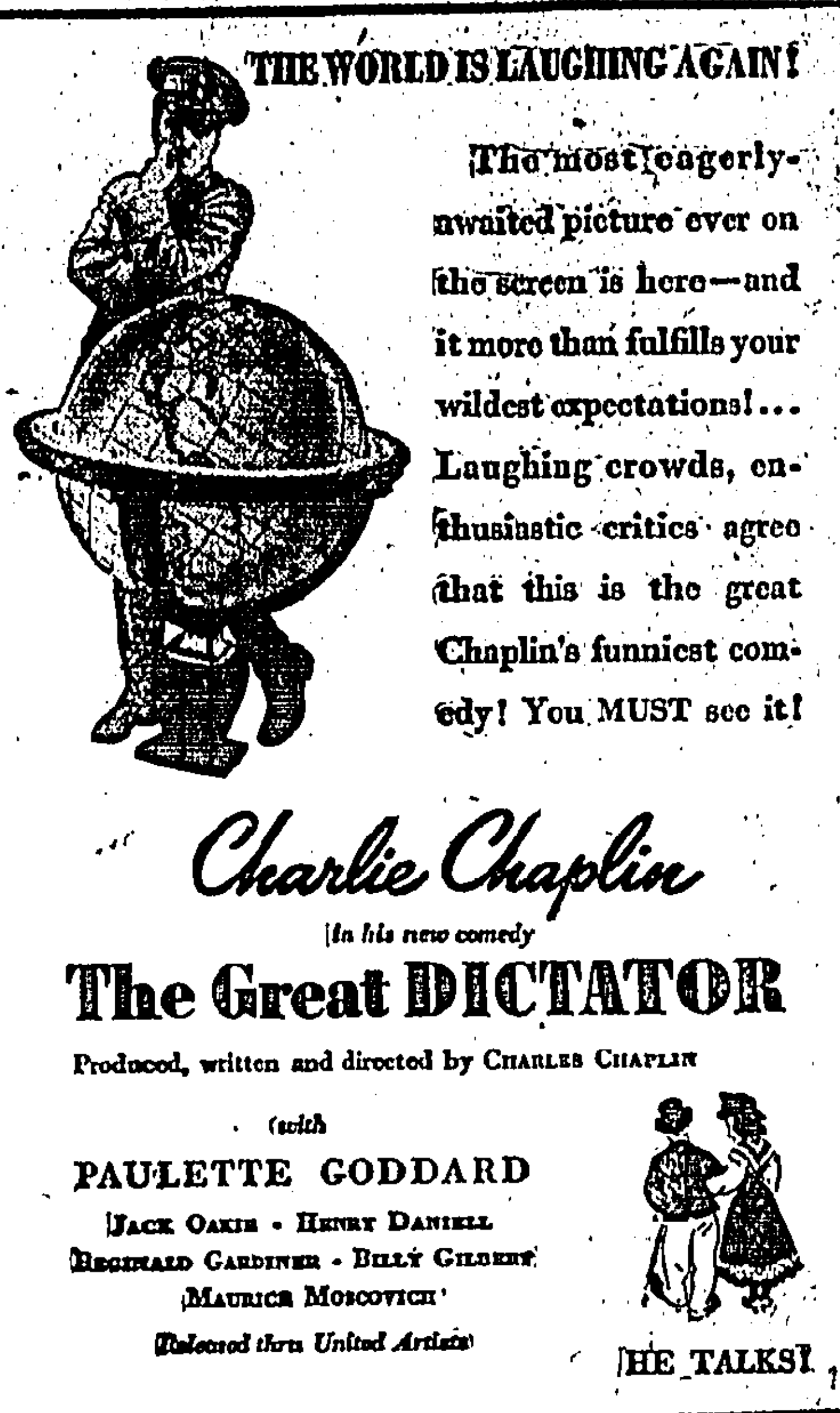


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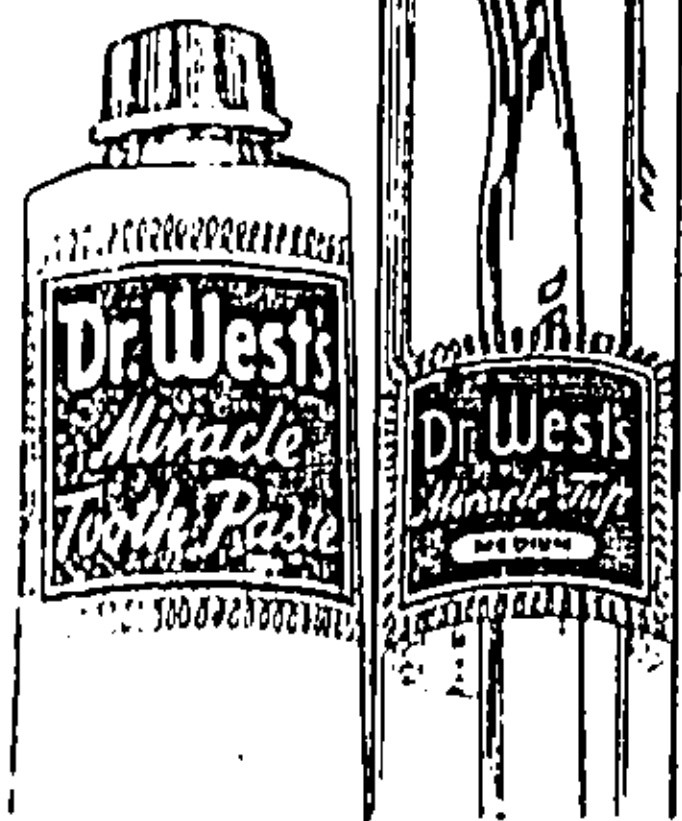
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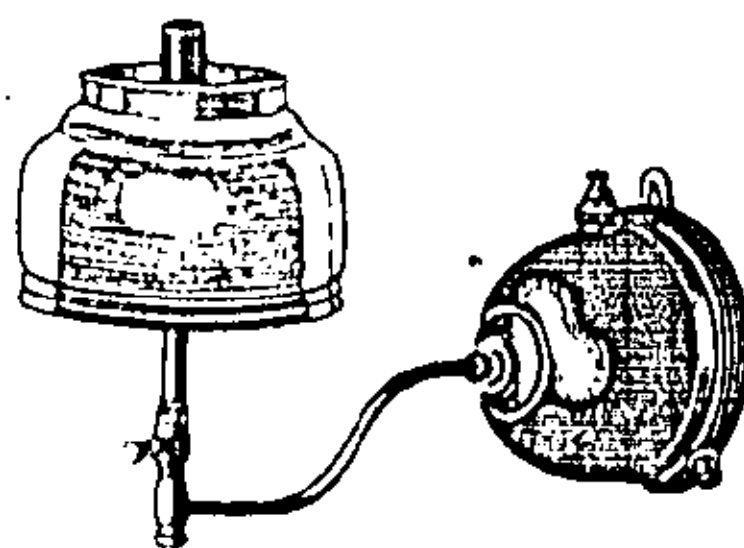
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Winter Brings Crisis To Russia's Satellites

As icy winds bringing earlier-than-usual snow sweep through Eastern Europe and weather experts predict one of the severest of post-war winters, Russia faces a crisis in its Communist empire of satellite states.

For these icy blasts are blowing through thread-bare clothes, unheated homes and empty stomachs of millions of disoriented Europeans, today thoroughly disillusioned with the Communist way of life.

Daily to Trieste, a cross-roads of the Balkans, come travellers and refugees from every Eastern European satellite state, or as Moscow calls them, "People's Republics."

All tell the same story. While conditions in Western Europe are vastly improved, thanks to Marshall Aid and healthy, competitive free enterprise, the start of the fifth post-war winter finds life in "Iron Curtain" countries as grim as ever.

In the satellite countries the symptoms of crisis are much the same:

1. An alarming drop in industrial production as absenteeism among the workers grows.
2. A corresponding drop in food output as peasants oppose the Communist co-operative farm policy.
3. Growing anti-government and anti-Russian feeling with numerous arrests and purges reported from every satellite state.

From Bulgaria reports say that factory workers, miners and railwaymen are deserting their machines for the land where they can at least grow enough to eat.

Problem Of Absenteeism

Absenteeism has become such a problem in Rumania that the Communist regime there has imposed fines ranging from £15 to £180 and prison sentences up to 12 years upon truant workers.

While unable to buy sufficient food to feed their families adequately, the factory workers have not taken kindly to the introduction of Russian shock-work tactics, the notorious "Stakhanovism," which means longer hours, harder work and less pay.

The peasants, in their turn, with little in the shops their money will buy, are not producing to capacity. Again, they are opposing the system of state-run co-operative farming which forces them to sell their foodstuffs at fixed prices to government collec-

tors, instead of at best current market prices.

Nearly every satellite state has introduced food-price controls, to ward off the important food producers, instead of the market methods dictated by Moscow.

Food output is so low in Bulgaria that the secretary of the Bulgarian Communist party has ordered 1,500 investigating commissions to be set up to examine peasants' complaints with an object to pacifying the small farmer.

In every "People's Republic" there is open resentment against both the Russians

By DAVID LEE

and the local Communist regime. Many Communist leaders do not help matters with their luxurious villas, shiny Russian Zis limousines and crumpled and jewelled lady friends.

Anti-Russian feeling in the Balkans began with the Russian occupation troops. It was fanned by the arrogant behaviour of Russian officials, commissars, "advisers" and traders, plus orders from Moscow trampling on centuries-old traditions, customs and ways of life.

Treated As Inferiors

The proud Balkan peoples were treated as inferiors by the Russians and nationalism began to sprout everywhere, blossoming first among Tito's independent Serbs.

The current crisis country is Bulgaria, such a short time ago known as the "Perfect Satellite." For in Bulgaria the Russians have enjoyed popularity since Czar Alexander II liberated the Bulgars from the Turks. Even Hitler had a careful respect for the Bulgars' feeling towards the Russians and let them remain the only axis satellite not to declare war on the Soviets.

Today a fierce anti-Russian feeling is sweeping Bulgaria, and arrests are reported to be taking place in both the government and the army where the chief of staff, General Ivan Kinov, has just been accused of "Titoism."

In some countries this anti-Russian feeling is taking an active form. In Poland, where hatred for the Russians dates back through history, there are nightly attacks against the Russian lines of communication with Germany.

In the wooded expanse of the Ukraine, partisans who terrorised the Germans during the Russian campaign are using similar tactics against the Russians.

They recently derailed a Russian troop train, causing numerous casualties.

In Rumania, two divisions of troops are engaged solely in guarding the main Ploesti oil pipe-line which supplies Russian needs, yet the line is cut from five to 10 times a month.

Moscow's current policy is to stamp out nationalism in every satellite state, and prevent the spread of "Titoism."

A False Theory

Russian professors have just been introduced into Bucharest university to teach a theory that the Rumanians are brother Slavs, with no relation to the Mediterranean races. It is a theory as false as the Russian claims to have invented television and Watt's steam engine.

The most experienced observer hesitates to predict the future of the Soviet satellite empire. In spite of growing opposition against the Russians and the local Communist regimes, no one cares to predict a general uprising.

The underground movements are still comparatively weak, having little outside support, and the police forces strong.

Recently Czech workers in the Skoda plant sent clandestine notes to French workers, warning them against the pitfalls of Communism, ending with a slogan, "Down with Soviet Imperialism!" But what chance do they have against a police force just increased by 60,000 men to a strength of 280,000?

It was this strong force which recently uncovered a Czech anti-government plot and six ring-leaders, including a former boy-scout chief, were promptly executed.

Life behind the "Iron Curtain" is still an intricate, confused jigsaw puzzle, but by fitting in the odd piece of information from Budapest, the odd news-item from Prague, you begin to form a picture which indicates that the men in the Kremlin must have worried frowns on their brows these days.

Challenge To Ulster Premier

Belfast, December 5.

Two anti-partitionist members of the Northern Ireland Parliament, Mr. James E. Lennon, of Armagh, and Mr. Malachy A. Conlon, member for South Armagh, today challenged the Northern Ireland Prime Minister, Sir Basil Brooke, to debate the partition issue during his American tour next year.

In a statement issued on their return from the United States, where they supported a campaign against a partitioned Ireland, they said, "We invite Sir Basil Brooke to meet a representative of the Anti-Partition League on a public platform in New York, Boston, Philadelphia, or Providence."

Mr. Lennon said that 10,000 Irishmen and women would give Sir Basil "the welcome he deserved" when he arrived in New York.

He said he was authorised to state that the partition question would again be raised in Congress within the next two months.

To The Tots It's Just Another Trip

By WILLIAM
HARDCASTLE

I've got two singles and two halves on the Mauretania.

The singles are pretty excited about the whole thing. The halves are not so impressed. My wife and I are looking forward to the trip and to seeing a lot of old friends in Washington again. To Sal, aged 4, and Sue, aged 3, it's just another move.

Striking camp and crossing the old thousand miles of ocean is almost tediously normal in their young lives. Sal was grounded in Iceland by a blizzard at the age of 10 months. Sue, born in a hospital overlooking the heavenly blue of Hamilton Harbour, had a Bermuda-Baltimore plane reservation before she had a birth certificate.

They Learned The Hard Way

They're travel sophisticates. They've learned the hard way that a plane is far more interesting to gaze at from the ground than to fly the Atlantic in, and that a modern liner is as dull and unimpressive as a railway hotel.

Some people may think a lot of the Mauretania, but Sue finds the boats in Regent's Park far more convincing.

I don't know whether travel broadens the mind at that age, but it certainly expands and concentrates their accents.

Fresh from Virginia seven months ago, my daughters called their grandmother's dog "Barb," asked me to take them down to "the store," and yelled for "candy" after meals.

Now they take Bob for a walk, scrounge buns from Evans the Baker, and have learned how to spin out their sweet rations.

School Will Be So Different

In Virginia Sal will be going back to nursery school. In nursery school they taught her how to play with bricks.

In Britain, six months in a kindergarten taught her the alphabet and how to count up to 100. It taught her nice manners, too. I don't think she's going to take kindly to playing with bricks again.

The six months have halted a disturbing tendency on their part to shout "Hooray for President Truman" when a show of patriotism seemed called for. Now they'll struggle through "Land of My Fathers" if prompted from the wings.

Even Austerity Meant Little

But nationalism means little in the four-year-olds' one world. They cross frontiers with an insouciance that would make a

A Different Welfare State Wanted

By CLIFFORD HULME

President Truman's famed grin is broader than ever since last week's Democratic victory in a Senate re-election in New York.

The issue was, "Do you want a welfare state?" Labourites, Liberals and Democrats joined in a majority verdict of "Yes." This result in America's most populous state is widely accepted as proof that the trend towards Mr. Truman's "Fair Deal" is at least as strong as it was a year ago.

But Mr. Truman will not immediately expand his social welfare plans.

What he will do is to stage a reinvigorated drive to get all his "Fair Deal" programme through Congress before November, 1952, when he or some other Democratic standard-bearer must seek a new mandate.

Bit By Bit

In the last session all that Congress gave him was a limited extension of rent controls, Government aid for slum clearance and low-rental housing, social security cover for eleven million more people and a higher minimum wage law for certain types of workers.

It rejected repeal of the union-busting Taft-Hartley Act, Mr. Truman's earlier pledge to labour—smothered his negro civil rights Bill in a filibuster, and debated inconclusively on his request for Government aid to education.

His plan for a compulsory national medical service never even reached Congress. In the next session, beginning January, he may get his aid-to-education law. Prospects for the rest are dim because Congress will be impatient to quit by July to prepare for the November election.

Thereafter everything will depend on the complexion of the new Congress. If the present voting continues he has a good chance of getting sufficiently large majorities to ensure completion of the "Fair Deal" by 1952. The Democratic election platform then will almost certainly take in fresh proposals for social legislation.

Meanwhile his alliance with organised labour will be further cemented.

Contributions to election expenses from trade union funds have now become quite as important to the Democrats as the money they receive from business sources.

Only a few days ago John L. Lewis for the first time revealed the full extent of union contributions to Democratic coffers. After giving figures he said, "The United Mineworkers and the CIO have paid cash on the barrel for every piece of legislation we have got."

Frankly stating that labour expects a quid pro quo for its support, he added: "Is anyone

World Federalist's heart sing. Attlee and Bevan mean nothing to them. Dewey and Stassen are the names of the neighbour's cats."

It's just part of their we-take-things-as-we-find-them policy that austerity suited them just as well as unrationed ice-cream and orange juice.

True, Sal wondered at one time why she wasn't having an egg for breakfast every day. But my explanation about Britain's balance of payments deficit and the problem of imported feeding-stuffs didn't hold her attention, and she dropped the subject.

Well, they'll have all the eggs they want again soon. But my wife and I know we've got to be resigned to one thing. It's not necessarily to the credit of Dr. Sumnerskill—rather blame it on the infernal climate of America's Eastern seaboard—but we know that not all the eggs in Iowa, all the orange juice in Florida, is going to keep the ruddy British bloom in their cheeks.

Feel enough to believe that we save money to the Roosevelt campaign because we were spell-bound by his voice?"

So when Mr. Truman last year promised repeal of the Taft-Hartley Act and a further spreading of the social security umbrella he was neither mollycoddling labour nor acting from purely reformist zeal and warmth of heart. He was mainly the politician paying the price for the labour votes he needed.

His supporters in Congress will need those votes next November, and both he and they will need them even more badly in the vital contest of 1952.

Axe Must Fall

His whole strategy is to capture both labour and farmer votes.

Already the United States farmer lives in a high welfare state that is costing the taxpayer some three thousand million dollars a year for farm price supports and an untold sum in artificially high prices in the shops. The farmer is well satisfied with this arrangement, but labour is not, and it is Mr. Truman's problem to reconcile their conflicting demands.

One way to balance things up for labour would be to make fresh drafts on the public purse to pay for welfare schemes.

A lot of Americans who are not in either the labour or the farmer camp, though sympathetic to social betterment, are as disturbed as those Republicans who warn that the country is "sliding down a one-way street to Socialism."

Mr. Truman is no Socialist, and even the unions are lukewarm or hostile to the Socialist philosophy. What both want is an improved standard of life and more security for the little man. Their problem is to chisel these and yet maintain the free private enterprise basis of American life; and the freedom of the individual from the sort of Government controls clamped on Britain.

But with the Budget looking redder than the Kremlin and revenue falling, Congress is bound to wield the economy axe.

TOLL OF FIRE IN MINE

Frankfurt, December 5.

The "Lueneburger Landeszeitung" declared today that 3,700 persons died in the uranium mine fire in the Soviet occupation zone on November 24.

This is the highest figure yet published, the previous high being 2,000. The Russians say only one man perished.

The "Landeszeitung" said the new estimate was given by the Soviet zone fire chief who fled to West Germany. The British-licensed "Berlin Telegram" last week said the dead numbered several hundred, then raised the total to 2,000.

The Lueneburger newspaper said the fire chief fled to Gatersleben in the British zone on Sunday rather than obey orders to take a job as a fireguard at the Johanneshagen mine.

It said he showed his identity papers, but asked that his name not be made public. He was a family still in the Soviet zone. The chief said his fire brigade was one among those called to the fire from Western Saxony. He said he learned that 4,000 workers were underground when an explosion started the fire, and that only 300 escaped.—Associated Press.

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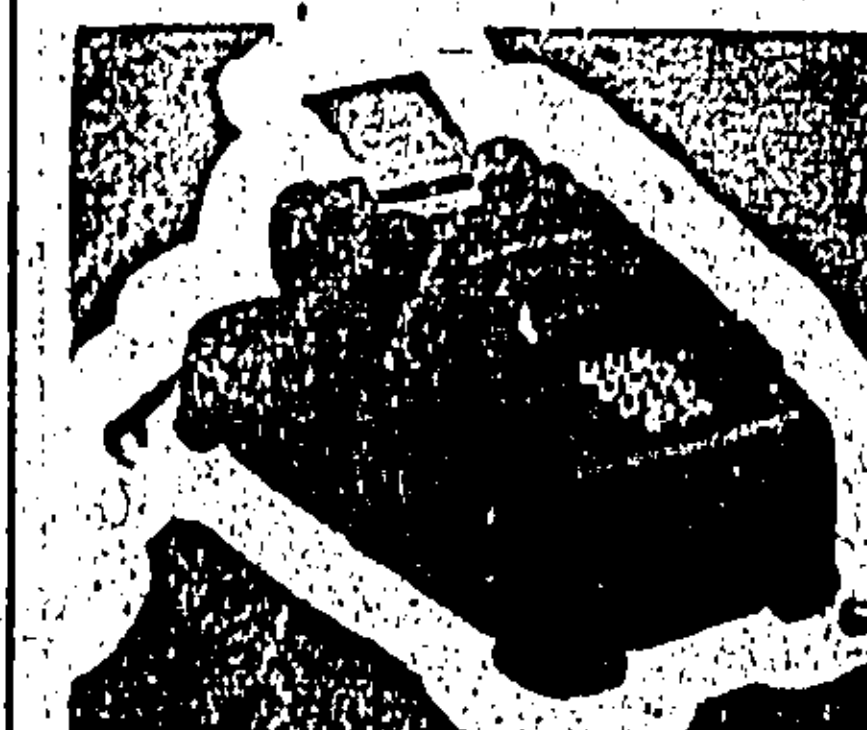
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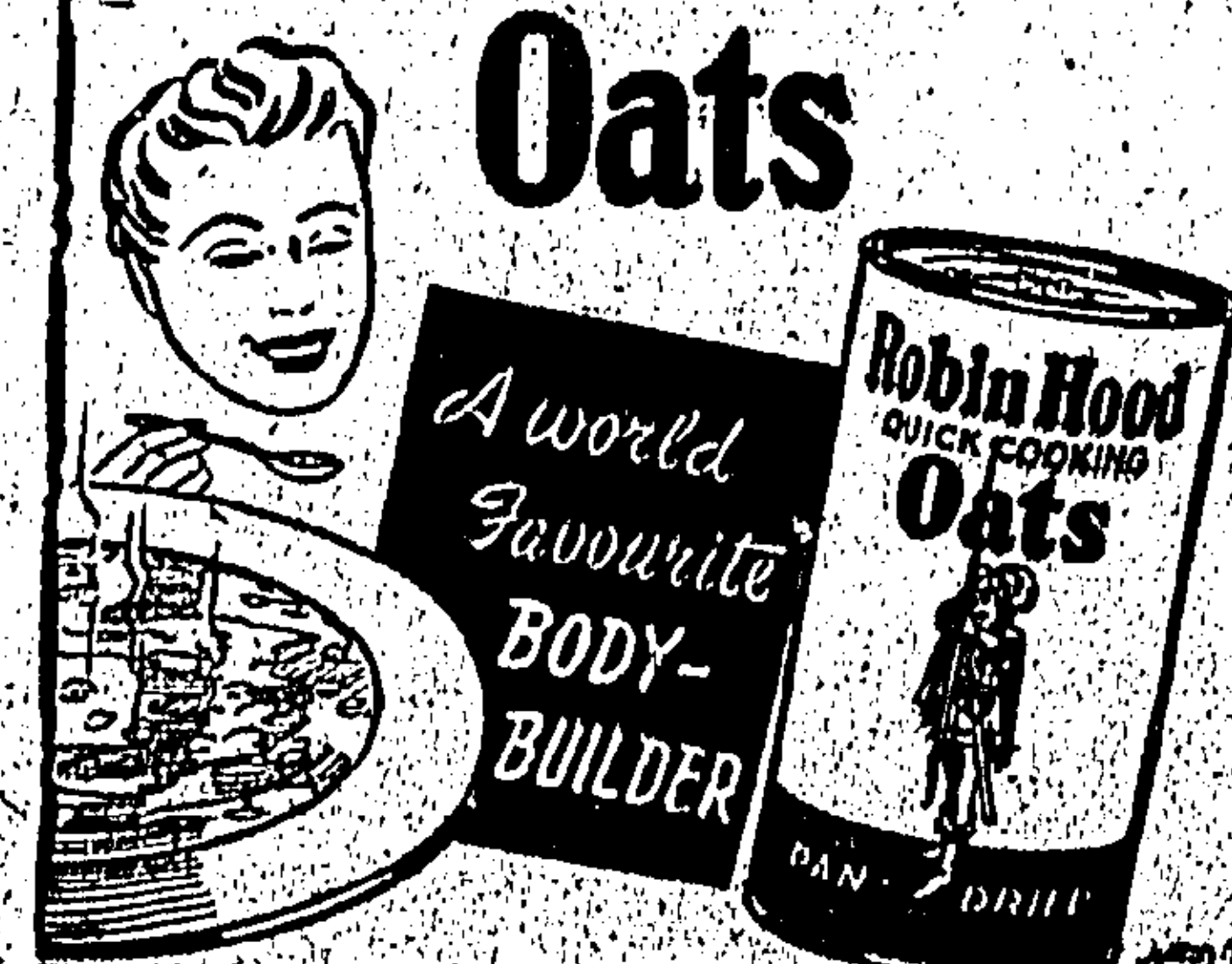
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Thousands of Tripolitanian Arabs gathered in the streets of Tripoli to celebrate the United Nations' decision granting independence to the former Italian colony of Libya in or before 1952. Highlight of the rejoicing was a procession which began in mid-morning in front of the National Congress—headquarters of the National Congress (Arab Nationalist) Party. The demonstrations were organized by this group under the guidance of the Mufti of Tripoli, who addressed the crowd before the procession started. Photo shows Boy Scouts guarding the spot where Arab resistance leaders—now regarded as martyrs by their compatriots—were hanged by the Italians in 1912. The procession halted here to pray, lay wreaths and listen to an address. (Associated Press Photo).

INVESTIGATOR SAYS:-

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CANADA SUPPLIED RUSSIA

Ottawa, December 5. It is quite probable that shipment of Canadian-mined uranium ore were sent to Russia in 1943, a high official source said here tonight.

The source said Canada was then supplying all kinds of equipment and raw materials to Russia, who was her ally. He added that it was quite probable that some uranium ore was also bought by the Russians.

The source declined to be quoted by name, but he is close to the Canadian atomic research programme. He suggested that the 500 pounds of uranium oxide and 500 pounds of uranium nitrate reported to have been sent to Russia would not be much good to anyone. These were the figures given by the investigator on the House Un-American Activities Committee in Washington.

The statement by this source gave new significance to the investigation by the Canadian Government before the first atomic bomb was dropped on Japan. The purpose of the investigation was to find out what happened to all the ore from the El Dorado mines.

The source said he thought all shipments had been accounted for but he declined to elaborate. The result of the investigation has never been made public.—United Press.

BERLIN AIRLIFT COMMEMORATION

London, December 5. General William H. Tunnor, former Commander of the combined Berlin airlift task force, and pilots and aircrews who will represent the United States Air Force in the Berlin airlift commemoration here, arrived from the United States by air today.

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BITTER FIGHT LIKELY OVER PI ELECTIONS

Manila, December 6.

Controversy over the legality of the November 8 Philippines national elections appears to be headed for a bitter showdown fight at the special session of Congress on December 13. Election supporters of Presidential candidates Dr. Jose P. Laurel, Nacionalista, and ex-Senator Jose Avelino, who heads a dissident faction of the Liberal Party, plus one independent, yesterday signed a petition asking Senate President Pro Tempore, Melcio Arranz, to preside at the coming election canvas session.

Mr. Arranz promptly issued the session call over his own signature.

Senator Arranz is a supporter of Mr. Avelino. The 12 who signed the petition thus ignored a previous call to the special session by acting Senate President M. Juan Cuenco, a strong supporter of President Epifanio Quirino. They constitute a majority of the present 23 members of the Upper House. One seat is vacant.

On the basis of latest official returns issued by the Administration-dominated National Election Commission, Mr. Quirino has a lead of approximately 467,000 votes over his nearest competitor, Dr. Laurel. Mr. Avelino ran a poor third in the counting.

The Election Commission merely accepts the returns from Provincial officials and reports them to Congress. It is empowered, however, to investigate protests and reports of irregularities.

But the Commission must report the returns on the Presidential and Vice-Presidential contests to the Upper House. Therefore, yesterday's action in defiance of Mr. Cuenco struck like a bomb in political circles.

Long Wrangle Possible

Mr. Cuenco was named Acting Senate President last February by a combination of five Nationalists, five Liberals and one independent. All but three of those who voted for Mr. Cuenco last February signed the petition asking Senator Arranz to take charge at the coming session.

Mr. Cuenco was named Acting President of the Senate because that post, as in the United States, normally is filled by the Vice-President. There will be no Vice-President until the inauguration of the new regime on December 30. Quirino was elevated to the Presidency on the death of Manuel Roxas.

If the group which asked Mr. Arranz to call a session sticks together, there is likely to be yet a long and bitter wrangle as both Nacionalistas and Avelinistas have made numerous charges of fraudulent counting of votes and intimidation by Quirino henchmen, which kept opposition voters away from the polls.

Mr. Quirino has denied the charges, pointing out that in many places where protests were lodged, the Provincial opposition parties dominated election boards.

The Quirino wing of the Liberal Party claims the election of all eight of its Senate candidates in the recent voting. This would give it a working majority in the next regular session of Congress.—Associated Press.

Bombay, December 5. Eight school children were killed near Poona today when a newly constructed water storage tank collapsed and buried them. The children were attending an inauguration ceremony at the tank.—Associated Press.

Britain's Cyclotron In Operation

London, December 5. Britain's new style cyclotron—called "Cyclotron"—for atomic energy research has been operating successfully in its first full trial, the Ministry of Supply announced today.

The new machine has been under construction at the Harwell research station for three years and is the largest in Europe.—United Press.

RANGOON PLOT

Rangoon, December 5. Hearing of an alleged plot to rob the State-owned Union of Burma Bank, Rangoon, police arrested four men as they were driving toward the Bank in a hired jeep today.

The police allege that the plan for the robbery included placing an accomplice inside the bank to stop the burglar alarm working.—Associated Press.

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BRITISH TREATY WITH TITO

London, December 5.
Sir Charles Peake, Britain's Ambassador to Yugoslavia, will leave London for Belgrade tomorrow, with Mr. Noel Patterson, the Board of Trade Representative who has been assisting him, to negotiate a five-year trade agreement with Yugoslavia.

It is believed in usually reliable quarters that Sir Charles will take with him full instructions to enable him to complete the trade negotiations which were begun last March.

The Ambassador, having delayed his return to Belgrade for two weeks, is thought to be now informed of final Ministerial decisions about Britain's policy towards the credits Yugoslavia would like to raise in Britain.

(These credits would be over and above the £1,000,000 Government backed credit to which, it is understood, the British Government has already agreed.)

The return of Mr. Patterson to Yugoslavia is taken to indicate that there will still be a certain amount of detailed work to be done on the trade side of the negotiations.

Originally, it was thought that the agreement would be for some £200,000,000 over the five years (£100,000,000 in each direction).

The final value of the agreement, it is believed today, will depend upon two things: (1) The amount of credit the Yugoslav Government is able to raise in Britain and (2) A possible new valuation of goods to be exchanged, since these might be found to have altered slightly since the negotiations began.

DUNKIRK NOVEL WINS PRIZE

Paris, December 5.
The Goncourt Prize, the most coveted French literary prize for novelists, was today awarded to a novel about the 1945 Dunkirk evacuation by Robert Merle, a French liaison officer with the British Army who was captured at Dunkirk.

The novel is called "Week-End At Zuydcoote".

Merle is an English master at the Lycée Pasteur in Western Paris.

The French woman novelist, Colette, presided over the panel which made the award.

Runner-up for the Goncourt Prize was Louis Guilloux with "The Dune Of Patience". He was, in accordance with tradition, awarded the Théophraste Renaudot Prize shortly afterwards.—Reuter.



Little Stanley Remos does an upside-down split while Paul Remos holds him up in the air by means of two sticks one in his mouth and one in Stanley's. Lester Remos watches them, during a rehearsal of the roller-skating show "Skating Vanities of 1950" in Memphis, USA. Lester and Stanley Remos are known as the "Toy Boys" and are miniature athletes who perform difficult routines under Paul Remos direction. (Associated Press Photo).

Vital Atom Bomb Materials Were Sent To Russia

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Previously he had said he thought the initials were those of Harry Hopkins.

Mr. Jordan testified that two canteens full of Panama Canal maps, as well as atomic materials, were among the mysterious shipments that went to Russia in lend-lease planes during the war.

Mr. Jordan said that Mr. Hopkins telephoned him hurriedly to expedite the Russian shipments, moving by air from Great Falls.

Mr. Jordan testified from notes he said he made in 1943 and 1944. One note said, "Panama Canal Commission maps." Mr. Jordan said there were a "couple of canteens" of them.

Wallace Accused

The Radio commentator Fulton Lewis, Jr., said tonight that the former Vice-President, Mr. Henry A. Wallace, was the Government official who insisted that atomic materials and plans be sent to Russia during World War Two.

In a broadcast over Mutual Broadcasting System, Mr. Lewis said the shipments were made over the protests of American atomic officials.

Mr. Lewis told a reporter that Mr. Wallace overruled Major-General Groves on the shipment of atomic bomb material to the Russians.

In New York, Mr. Wallace issued this statement: "The statement by Mr. Fulton Lewis, Jr., is the sheerest fabrication. It is part of his unremitting effort to tarnish the name of Mr. Franklin D. Roosevelt."

"The Board of Economic Warfare, of which I was the Chairman, had absolutely nothing to do with any shipments to the Soviet Union. Shipments of the Soviet Union were under lend-lease."

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RIGHTS OF CITIZENS OF INDIAN REPUBLIC UNDER BRITISH LAW

London, December 5.
The House of Commons today gave an unopposed second reading to a Bill to preserve for India the rights and privileges now enjoyed under British law after she becomes a Republic on January 26 next year.

The Bill, moved by Mr. Philip Noel-Baker, Commonwealth Relations Secretary, will:

(1) Ensure that the whole of Britain's existing law will continue to apply to India, Indians and their property.

(2) Provide for the continuance of trade preferences between India and Britain.

(3) Preserve British law for Indians and Indian property in the Colonies, Protectorates and British Trust Territories.

(4) Give the British Government the power to modify the existing law to which this Bill extends.

Mr. Noel-Baker declared that India's nationhood was now complete and she spoke with her own voice in the council of mankind.

He said that Pandit Nehru, when he became Prime Minister of India, assumed responsibilities before which any statesman might have quailed.

"He has had difficulties very acute and largely unforeseen which he has had to overcome," Mr. Noel-Baker continued. "He has brought to his task not only superb intellectual attainments but vision and courage which the world have admired."

An Example
"His work and that of his colleagues in the Cabinet and Administration has been a help and an example to everyone in Asia."

"We know that the Commonwealth is strengthened by this decision. We hope that the Commonwealth will be strengthened also by the decision to remain within its ranks."

Pandit Nehru, when he addressed the Canadian Parliament, had told its members that when India became a Republic its relations with the Commonwealth would not be weakened.

On the contrary, it would have a new strength in so far as it derived from a sense that it was inspired and sustained by the free will of free peoples.

"What did this phrase—signify?" Mr. Noel-Baker asked. "It means that India will remain in membership with the rest of the Commonwealth."

"In our Commonwealth countries we have established the personal liberty of the individual. The United Nations are still struggling with the problem of drawing up a charter of human rights, but the first charter of human rights was signed by this country, of ours at Runnymede seven centuries ago."

"We have shown that the Empire can be transformed into a Commonwealth by evolution and not revolution—by agreement, not by force," Mr. Noel-Baker concluded.

Tory Agreement
Mr. Richard Butler, former Under-Secretary for India, speaking for the Opposition, said, "It is my duty and pleasure to express our complete agreement with the passage of this Bill. It follows naturally upon the decisions taken at the April meeting of the Commonwealth Ministers and the views which were then expressed by Mr. Churchill."

Mr. Butler recalled that he had attended the first informal meeting of members of the Commonwealth that had been held since the April meeting.

"There was a powerful and voluble denunciation from India, whose views left us in no doubt as to their sentiments and feelings," he said.

Full Backing
The view of that unfortunate occurrence in the history of the world, an even greater burden falls on the Government of India than seemed likely at the time these decisions were taken. I am sure it is the wish on both sides of the House that every feeling of goodwill should go forward to the Government of India. We hope that she will face her difficulties in as practicable and realistic a way as possible."

Mr. Butler went on to say that today that all sections of opinion in Britain are behind the understanding that has been reached and behind the passage of this Bill. Mr. Butler concluded.

"We are on the side of the House as we desire of making not only our present friendship with India closer but also of making our own activities such as would indicate to India that we understand her aspirations and development."

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Crown Goes From Delhi Chamber

New Delhi, December 6.
The 600-pound bronze crown was removed from the dome of the Council Chamber in New Delhi today as India prepared for the inauguration of the Republic on January 26.

India's emblem—three lions on a plinth—will replace the crown, placed there by British rule 23 years ago.—Associated Press.

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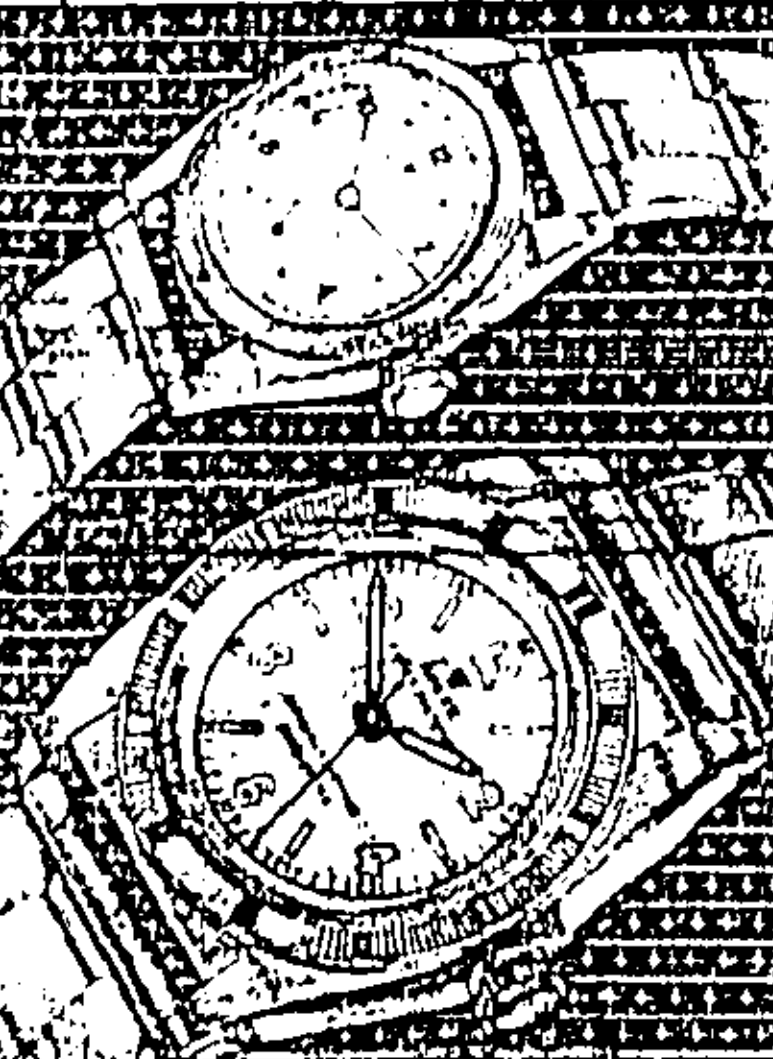
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MADRID ARRESTS

Madrid, December 5.
Five persons were reported to have been arrested during a short Monarchist demonstration on Sunday.

Four of them were students and all belonged to the Carlist group of Monarchists, a minor royalist organisation in opposition to the legitimate Monarchist followers of Don Juan.

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HONG KONG'S TRAFFIC.

The trouble about Hong Kong's traffic, like certain brands of liquor, is that it is so concentrated. It is all very well if one has grown up with the traffic, but it's appalling to any unfortunate mortal thrown into it without proper conditioning. If traffic along the sidewalks in the heart of the city is the most irritating, motor and tram traffic in the main streets is the most terrifying.

Anybody coming here, say, from Singapore gets the impression that there are ten times as many vehicles on the roads here as there are there. Yet figures don't support the idea. In Singapore, for example, there are about 13,000 private cars compared with 7,620 here; 6,300 lorries and vans compared with 2,850 in Hong Kong; 1,500 taxis compared with 344 taxis and 289 hire cars; 3,650 motor-bicycles compared with 933.

Moreover, traffic in Singapore is complicated in a thousand ways by the host of ordinary bicycles, totalling some 90,000, and 8,000 trishaws, which contrive some how or other to escape annihilation downtown and to make the progress of motorised traffic a pilgrimage of sound and fury. In Hong Kong the trishaws number merely 800, and no longer carry passengers. On the other hand the indispensable tramcars take the eye of even the casual here, whereas in Singapore they are limited to a relatively confined area. Some of the streets in Kowloon are hardly less congested than those in the city of Victoria.

Singapore has talked itself hoarse about its traffic problems, and during the past two years has experimented again and again to try and simplify them. It is now planning a great extension of the one-way traffic system. In the busier parts of the city, and simultaneously to do away with many of the existing man-controlled light signals in favour of automatic lights. And yet Singapore gives one an almost provincial impression compared with the immense congestion in the city here. It is all the more difficult to understand because so large a proportion of the Hong Kong registered vehicles operate on the mainland, and for the most part stay there. Presumably, it is a question of distribution and the inextinguishable problem of the bottleneck created by the single artery from the Cricket Ground Eastward.

Whatever figures may indicate, the size of the problem has only to be seen to be believed, if not wholly understood. There can hardly be serious criticism of the introduction of three reforms at one time. Of course, everybody prefers to have this sort of thing in small doses. But the zones of silence would really have a sinister ring if they were unaccompanied by a really determined effort to tackle at the same time the problem of pedestrian crossings. That is really the main problem and is likely to remain the main problem until the natural anarchy of the pedestrian is brought under control and properly disciplined.

That will take time, and it is to be hoped that the Police will be as patient

A RESURGENT GERMANY

By "WINDRUSH"

cribed as a Government of the Centre verging towards the Right. Dr. Adenauer himself is by far the most important person in the Cabinet, and has already grown in prestige in the short time he has held office. At the present moment the policy of Western Germany is the personal policy of Dr. Adenauer.

Subtle But Reasonable

Dr. Adenauer is a subtle but reasonable man. He is a lawyer, a Catholic, and a man of the Rhineland. Each of these facts plays its part in determining his attitude, and has already grown in prestige in the short time he has held office. At the present moment the policy of Western Germany is the personal policy of Dr. Adenauer.

Men, Women And Memories

The torrent of abuse directed against Marshal Tito by the Russian radio is particularly diverting to those who know the ruler of Yugoslavia.

Since the Marshal has been caricatured as a libertine, fond of soft living, and a "greedy ape," it would be interesting to know how his Russian detractors reconcile this picture with the remarkable feat of stamina habitually performed by this man in his middle 50s.

Tito is astonishingly active. A friend who stayed with him not long ago was roused at 5 a.m. to go swimming. This over, the Marshal announced that he invariably rode before breakfast, and the next three hours were spent in hard galloping across rough country. After breakfast they both swam again, did some rowing, and played a game of volley ball.

And After Lunch . . . By this time my friend, who is extremely fit and some 20 years younger than the Marshal, was decidedly tired, but as soon as lunch was over the Marshal set out on a tour of inspection of mountain villages, followed by an

as they can really afford to be in turning from persuasive to punitive measures, for the poor pedestrian downtown leads a hunted life, with mechanised monsters always in his path and the sidewalks a constant struggle. It was too much to expect the immediate eradication of the familiar habit of dodging in and out of the traffic wherever it's possible to shorten the burden on the feet, even though prejudicing the safety of body and soul.

The now forgotten Belisha beacons in London accomplished wonders in their time, but even they would not have been quite so successful if the people had not possessed an innate sense of discipline. The traffic Superintendent will need to be something of a philosopher. An imperium of pedestrian order in an imperio of vehicular smoothness will undoubtedly take some time. Loud speakers in silent zones seem an anomaly, but whether they attract or distract attention, they are a useful reminder to the public, who know only too well how to turn a blind eye to signs and tokens, when hurrying or scuttling on their harassed way.

Singapore has begun to talk of the time when it will have six million people to contend with. That may seem a bit fanciful to those who forget what happened to Shanghai in a single hectic generation. It may seem still more fanciful in Hong Kong, though it has doubled its population in two or three years. Nevertheless the lesson of Shanghai was that refugee migrants mostly took root in the city and only a small proportion moved back into the country again when the momentary storm had passed. The Abercrombie scheme inevitably remains on the table for the present, but as soon as the emergency is over and China's destination is a lot clearer than it is now, the fundamental solutions put forward in that Report will have to be tackled—and tackled in the largest possible way.

other long walk. At midnight the sleepless guest crawled, exhausted, to bed, but after a few hours he was awakened again. The programme for a new day was about to begin with the scaling of a nearby mountain peak!

Now such a programme is by no means exceptional for Tito, who once told me that he aimed at taking at least eight hours' exercise every day. Contrary to Russian suggestion the Marshal does not live in ostentatious magnificence, in preference to the State which he entertains on State occasions he himself uses the comfortable suburban villa of a typical retired business man, just outside Belgrade.

By ATTICUS

There is a vast deal of good sense in Cobbett's Grammar, not least in his scorn for "Treasury English," which we call Whitehall. I wish more contemporary Ministers of the Crown than Clynes could have been brought up on it.

A Distinguished company dined recently to celebrate the jubilee of the British South Africa Company's Royal Charter. When the Hudson's Bay Company is nearing its tercentenary, 80 years does not seem a long life yet for such a corporation, but the achievement of Rhodes' Chartered Company in fostering from precarious infancy to prosperous maturity two of the most important countries of Africa, which its President, Sir Douglas Malcolm, recalled to us in a felicitous speech, would be great if it had taken generations longer to accomplish.

It was far from being an financial plain sailing. Indeed it was the early decades of the Chartered Company's history which prompted Mr. Amery, returning thanks for the guests, to suggest that fairness required a category of "losers" to be added to the economic vocabulary. The proposer had referred to him as an Elder Statesman, a term that Mr. Amery, with modest wit, defined as "a man who can afford to give good advice, being no longer able to set a bad example."

Tossed By-a-Bull Those who remember that fast, resourceful and plucky wing three-quarter, C. N. Lowe, will be glad to know that he is still demonstrating his fitness. When I last met him Group Captain Lowe was commanding the RAF station at Amman, now he has retired, and is living in Nairobi, where he just made a rapid and complete recovery from being tossed by a bull—a pastime which, as my informant of the incident puts it, is rarely indulged in with success when one has passed the middle attack.

"Kid" Lowe's daughter was recently married in Nairobi Cathedral, and it is a coincidence that also living in Kenya's capital is Mrs. Olive Salter, a daughter of that other great wing three-quarter, the late Dr. "Teddy" Morgan.

Many good judges bracket Morgan and Lowe as the greatest wings in the game's history. Morgan gained 18 caps for Wales in the early years of the century; Lowe, who with Sir Wavell Wakefield laid the foundation of Air Force Rugby, played nine times for England before the first world war and 16 times afterwards; only four men, headed by "Wakers," have represented England more often.

Cobbett His Tutor

The obituary notices of J. H. Clynes mentioned that, when he was a child-worker in a cotton mill, he had bought a copy of Cobbett's Grammar, published in 1831, which he bought for a penny or two in Oldham—William Cobbett's own constituency. Clynes must have learnt more than grammatical rules from "a work" (as Cobbett described it) in his dedication to Queen Caroline, having for its object, "to give practical effect to the natural Press."

would be 40 per cent. under foreign control. Dr. Adenauer's contention was that this would reassure the West against the danger of the Ruhr industries being used for aggressive purposes. It should perhaps be added that cynics see in the proposal a trick by German capitalists to prevent the Ruhr industries from being socialised. It seems that this offer is not being taken very seriously by the French and the British, at least at the present moment.

Schumacher Antagonised

If the Allies could be sure that Dr. Adenauer would always head the German Government, that an ally like him would be in command, they would be prepared to go much further in collaborating with Germany than they are at present contemplating. But Dr. Adenauer's ascendancy represents the success of one point of political strategy which is apt to get submerged by much more forceful and dangerous parts. Already Dr. Adenauer has antagonised beyond reconciliation the leader of the German Social Democrats, Dr. Schumacher. Schumacher is a powerful, but also an irresponsible nationalist, and if he was in power he would pursue a much ruder policy.

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The argument by sponsors of the plan is that America cannot go on indefinitely supplying the area, power, but also an irresponsible nationalist, and if he was in power he would pursue a much ruder policy.

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I am told, on not very good authority, that sympathetic pedestrians are getting up a fund to provide hospitalisation for apple-pie taxi drivers suffering from silent zonitis. Every bed will be provided with a powerful klaxon which may be blared continuously.

"Is Japan an eligible member of a security block? This question leaves room for further discussion." It does?

According to Myrtle's grandfathers, no matter how fat your conversation, a woman likes to have it flatter.

The cooler weather is here, and husbands are once again thinking of getting their wives a fur coat—and then decide that woollens have a more interesting texture.

"After the presentation of a clock to the retiring fireman, the news came through that his house was on fire."

He had heard about the clock, but the illuminated address came as a complete surprise.

"Prencher next Sunday: Rev. — Why worry? It may never happen."

M'm. "The gift of the bridegroom to the bride was a beautiful pressing down."

Bloke I know bought a second-hand car recently and is rather proud of it, now that some of its eccentricities have been smoothed out. All but one of the mysterious rattle down and squeaks were tracked down and squashed without much trouble. The last one took some finding, but was eventually located under the rear window.

Hanging by a string inside the framework was a small bottle, inside which was a note reading: "How long did it take you to find this one?"

"Confiscated. 'Six offences by junk master.' But what good would they be to anybody?"

"You were very late this morning," sir. I'm sorry. I overslept. "Good heavens. Do you sleep at home as well?"

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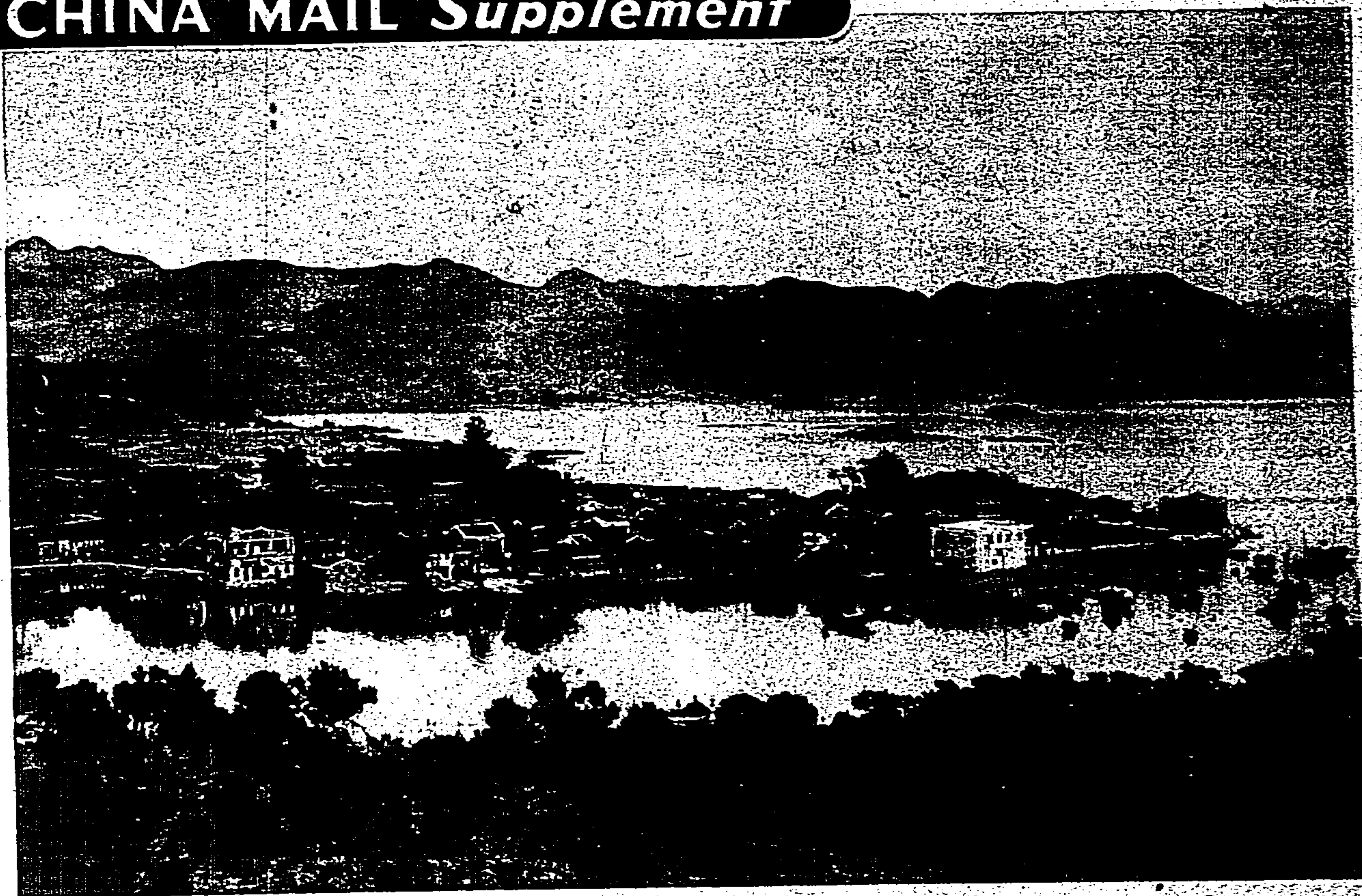
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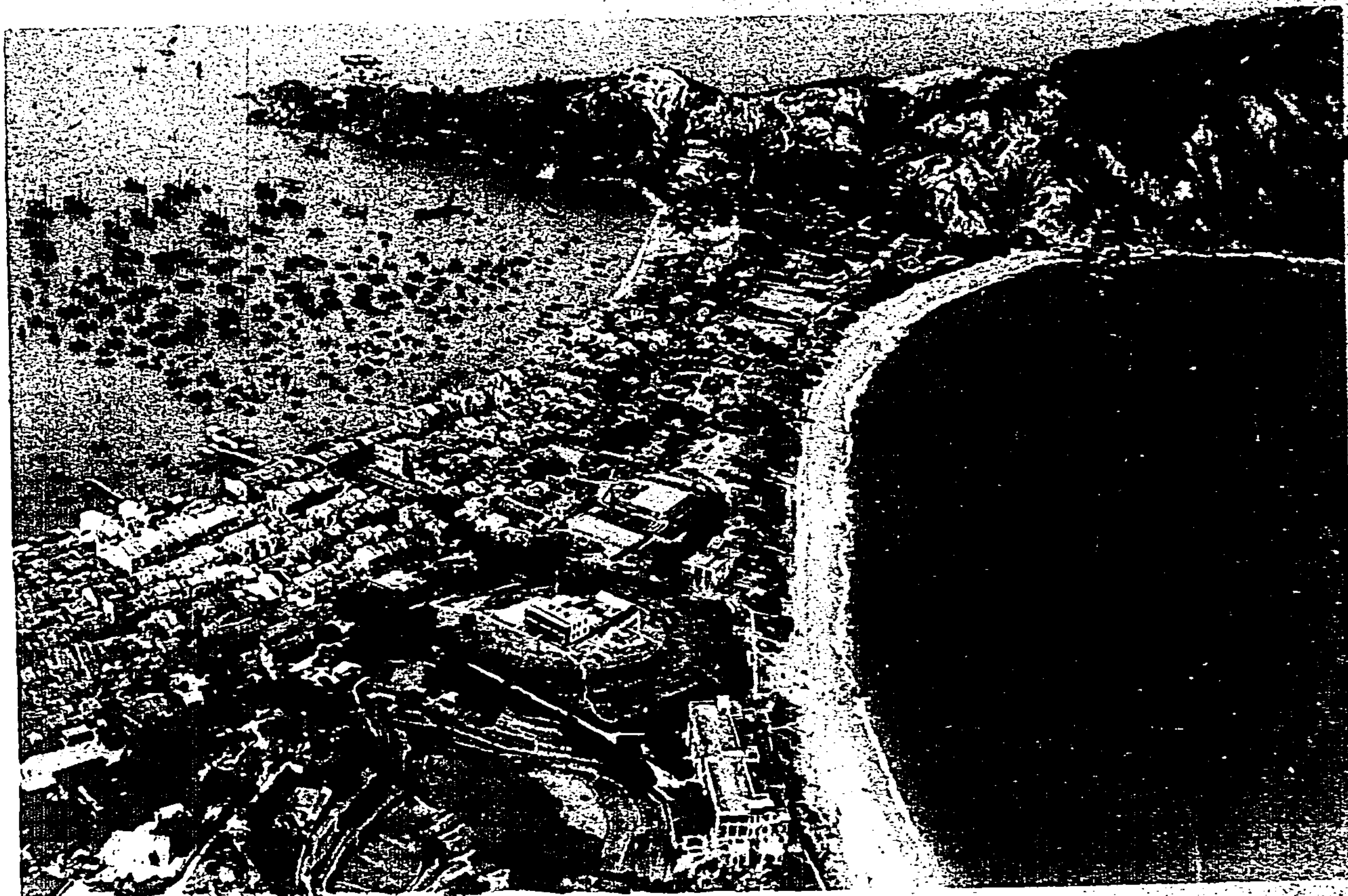
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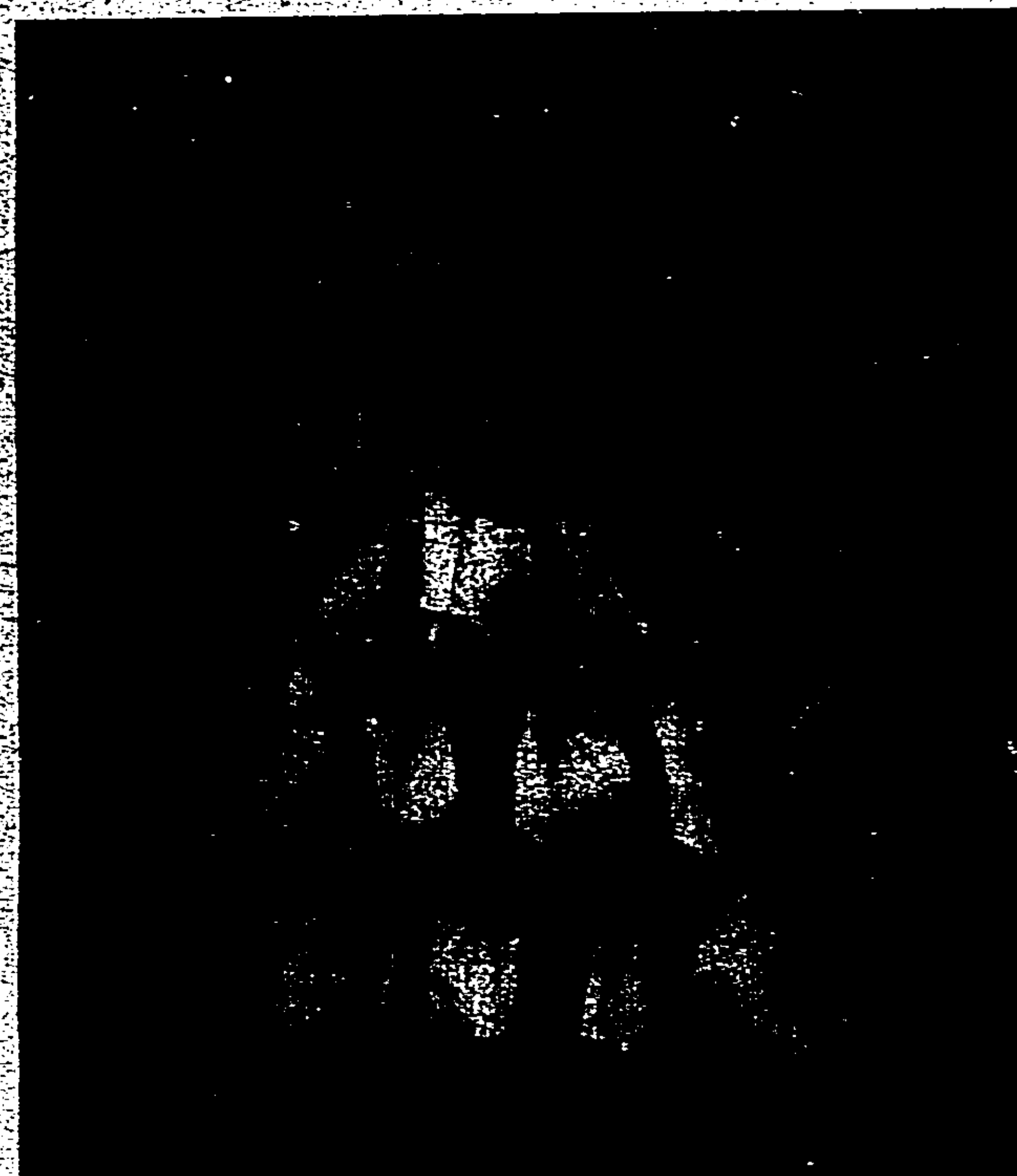
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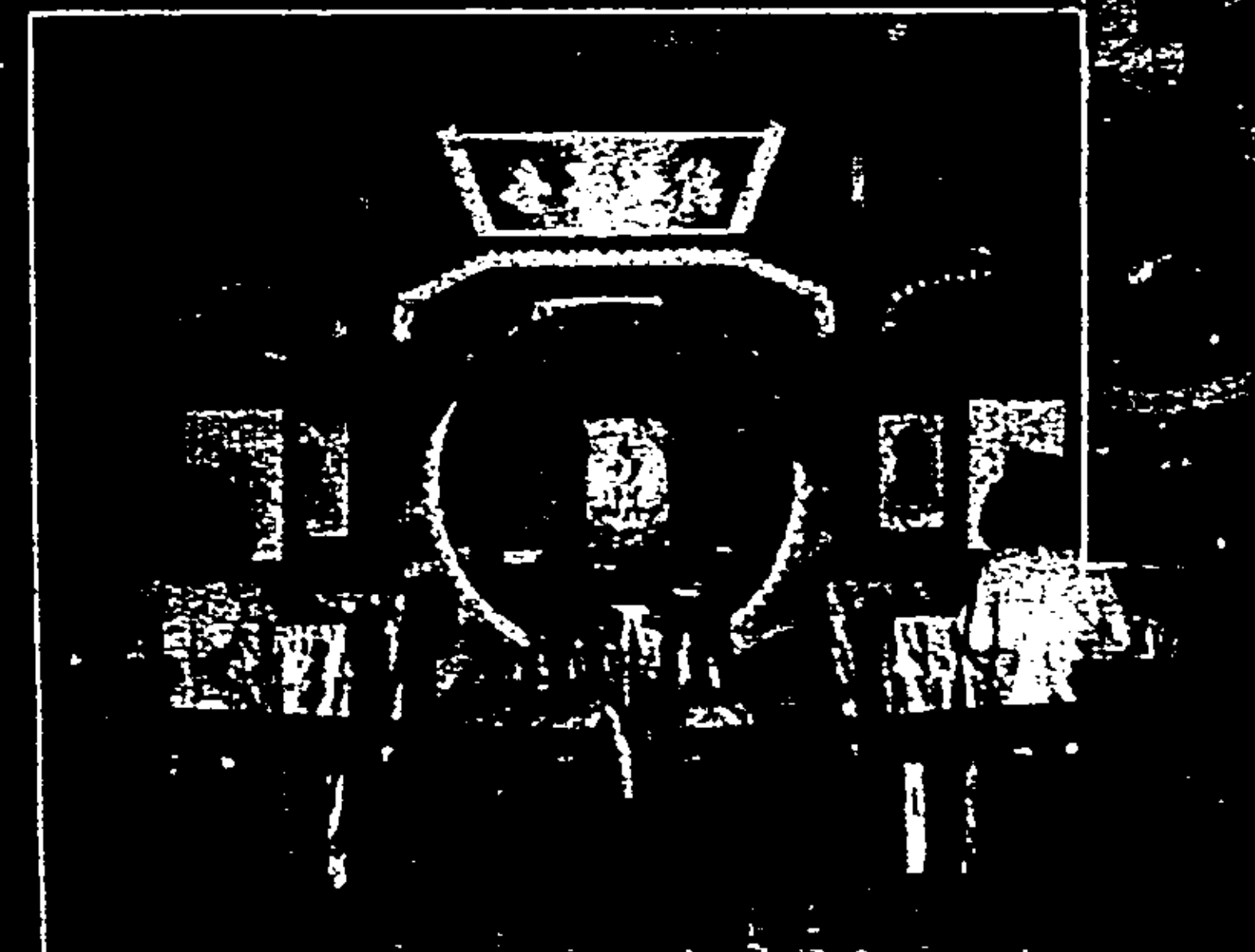
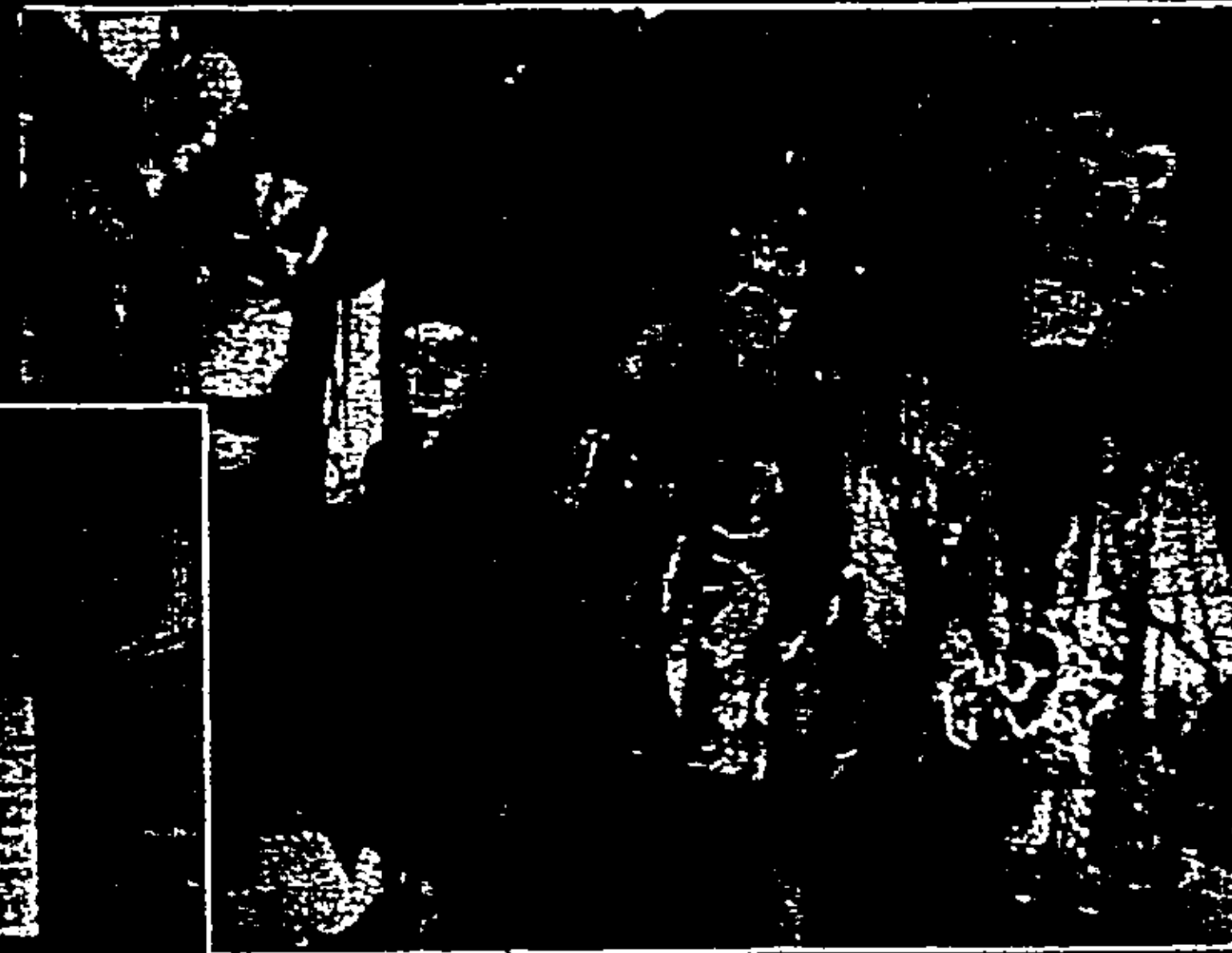
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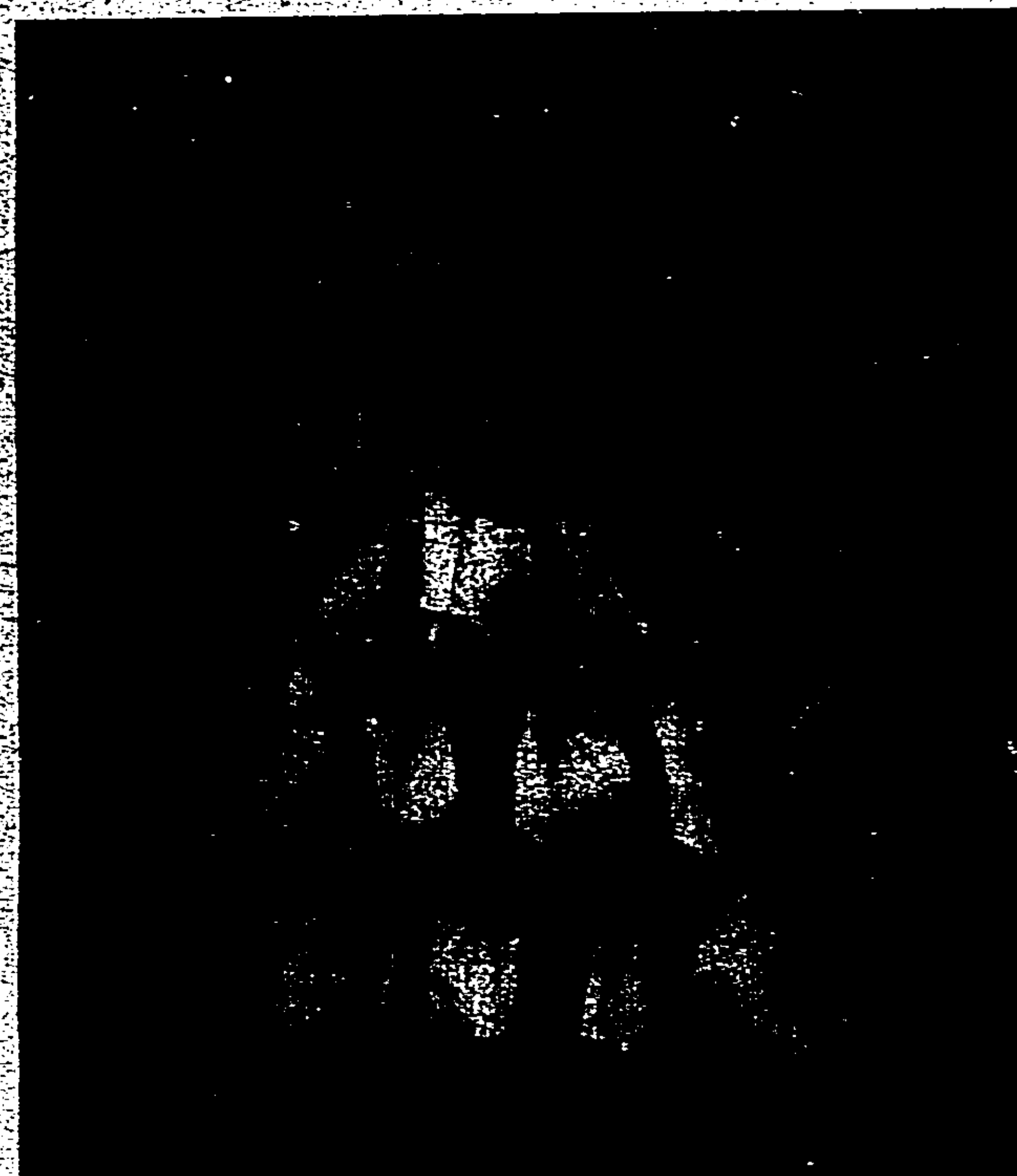


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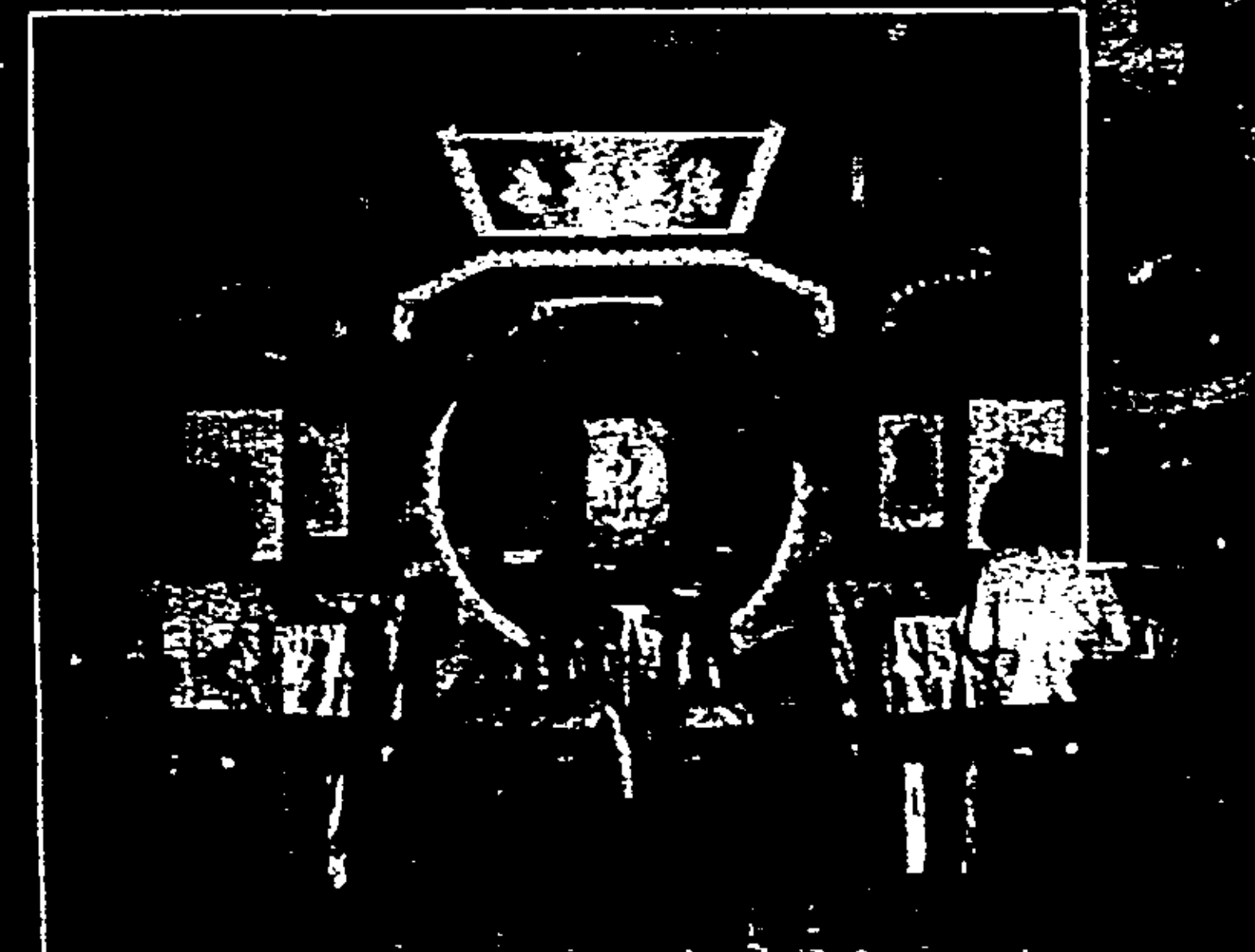
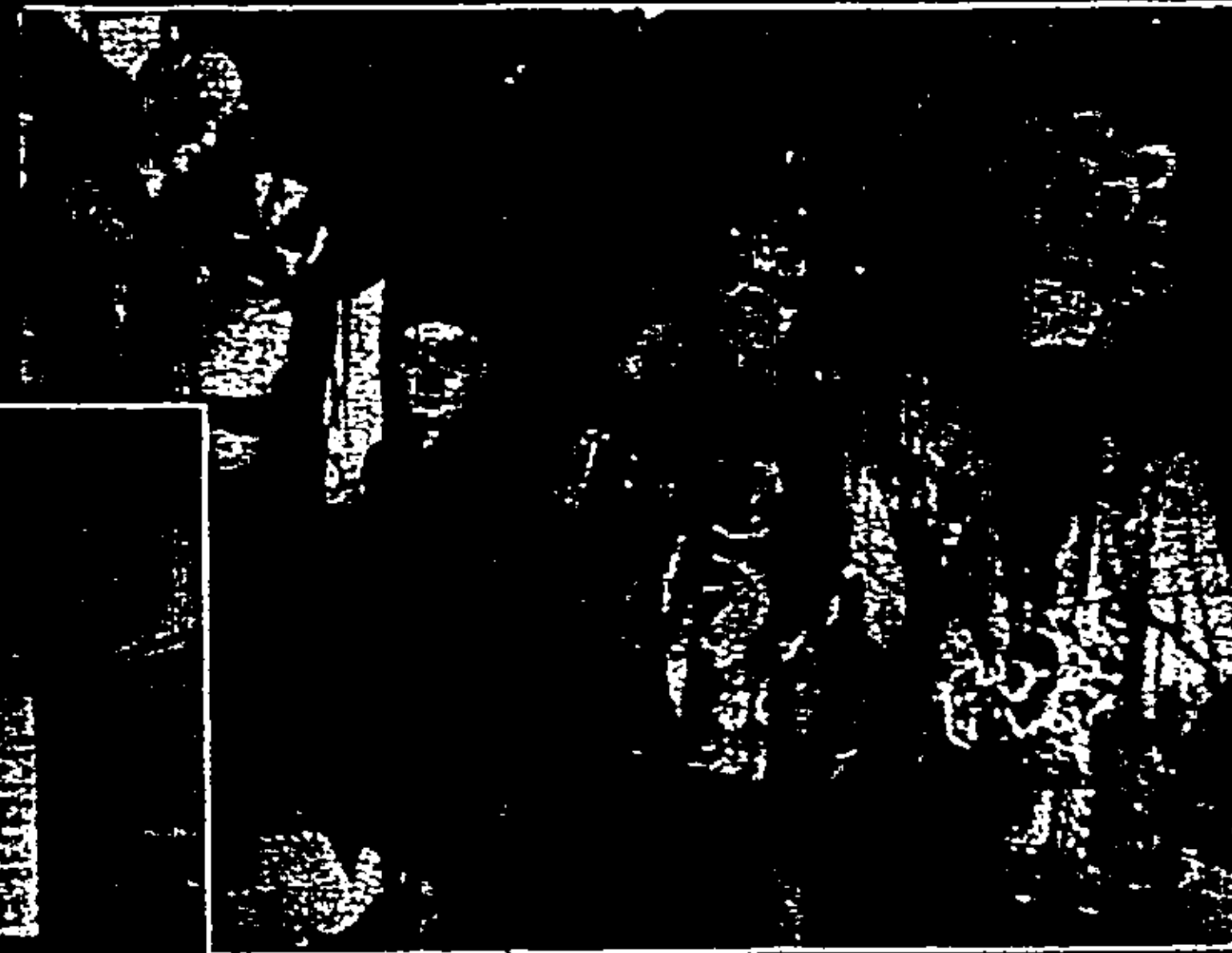
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Photo taken after the christening of Anthea Marilyn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Follett, at St. John's Cathedral.— "Mee Cheung" photo.



Group photo taken after the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Woo at St. Margaret's Church. The bride is the former Miss Katherine Tang.



Robert Frederick William, son of Mr. and Mrs. R.T.K. Jones, who was christened last month. — "Mayfair" photo.

Little Deniz da Motta, son of Mr. and Mrs. V.J. da Motta, recently celebrated his third birthday with some of his friends.



Mr. and Mrs. R. Kan pose after their wedding at St. Joseph's Church with members of their respective families and friends.— "Ming Yuen" photo



Posing with their respective families and friends are Mr. and Mrs. Yen Chi-fai, who were married recently at the Hong Kong Hotel. The bride is the former Miss Lee Pek-sai. — "Ming Yuen" photo

SINO-RUSSIAN CASE DEBATED IN THE UN: VOTE POSTPONED

VYSHINSKY VISIT TO BERLIN

Berlin, December 5. The Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr. Andrei Vyshinsky, will spend at least 24 hours in Berlin this week consulting with Soviet officials on his way back to Moscow from New York. German circles claiming close contact with the Soviet Control Commission reported today.

Western Allied circles have no continuation of his report.

Mr. Vyshinsky will discuss the role of Eastern Germany in the Eastern European defence system, the German sources stated.

The Soviet Foreign Minister's visit to Berlin is expected to be a preliminary one, German sources stated. It is expected that Mr. Vyshinsky will be in Berlin for a period of 24 hours, but that he will not be in Berlin for a longer period.

One of the main subjects likely to be discussed by Mr. Vyshinsky during his Berlin stay is how much evidence to attach to Dr. Adenauer's remarks, they said.

Leading Soviet officials in Germany are reported to be firmly convinced that the Western Allies have in fact, plans for West German rearmament and that British and American officials had been in on the subject since the formation of the German Federal Republic.

NO TRACE OF COMPLAINT

London, December 5. The Foreign Office tonight denied official knowledge of a complaint Egypt is reported to have filed about a British Minister's statement.

The Prime Minister of Egypt said on Sunday that he has asked Britain to compel any "regrettable impression left by the War Minister during a news conference in the Suez Canal zone last week."

A Foreign Office spokesman said that no trace of such a request has so far been found.

He added in reply to reporters' questions that there has been no change in the position which allows Britain to keep troops in the Canal zone under the 1936 Anglo-Egyptian alliance.—Associated Press.

Lake Success, December 5. Nationalist China today agreed to the Latin-American suggestion to send the Sino-Russian dispute to the United Nations "Little Assembly," but the United States immediately voiced opposition.

Dr. Philip Jessup, American Ambassador-at-large and State Department expert on the Far East, told the United Nations Main Political Committee that the sending of China's charges against Russia to the Little Assembly for further study would not serve any real purpose in bringing a solution to the problem.

But Dr. T.F. Tsiang, leader of the Nationalist delegation, accepted the proposal made by Cuba, Ecuador and Peru.

Dr. Tsiang declared his belief that the "more the Assembly or its organs study the problem and evidence we have placed before them the stronger our case will become."

"We accept this resolution," Dr. Tsiang said, "not because my delegation thinks that the Assembly should or could not at this moment accede to the wishes I have expressed. We accept it because it is plain that many delegations have not had time to study the question."

Dr. Tsiang had asked that the Assembly urge its members to withhold diplomatic recognition from Mao Tse-tung's Communist Government at Peking and to declare an embargo on economic or military aid to it.

Dr. Jessup expressed continued support for the resolution proposed by the United States, Australia, Mexico, Pakistan and the Philippines which demands a "hand off" policy toward China.

The Committee adjourned and agreed to vote on Tuesday morning on three resolutions now before it.

Motion To Be Pressed

Asked whether his support for the Latin-American resolution meant that he would withdraw his own measure of condemnation against Russia, Dr. Tsiang told the Committee, "Our motion more strongly in the interim committee."

Dr. Jessup spoke immediately after Dr. Tsiang had announced China's acceptance of the proposal to send the problem to the Soviet-boycotted interim committee or Little Assembly "for continuous examination and study and to report to the next session of the General Assembly with recommendations."

Dr. Jessup said the United States recognized the complexity of the problem and of the evidence presented by Dr. Tsiang.

"But we are concerned with trying to find appropriate action by the General Assembly at this session on this very important and serious case."

"I might with due deference suggest that the joint resolution which my delegation joined in sponsoring is not a judgment or acquittal of the Soviet Union on the charges made

Burma To Give Recognition By Christmas

Rangoon, December 5. Burma's Foreign Minister, U. E. Maung, said today that Burma will recognize Communist China by Christmas.

U. Maung told reporters that the decision means automatic breaking of diplomatic relations with the Nationalist Government.

He said Burma's first Ambassador to Communist China will be U. Myint Thein, the country's representative with the Nationalists who was recalled last month for consultations here.

U. Maung returned to Rangoon on Sunday from London, where he discussed the question of recognition of Communist China with the British Government.—Associated Press.

CENSUS OF ARMS APPROVED

New York, December 5. The United Nations Assembly today approved a Western power plan for a worldwide census of armed forces and non-atomic weapons. The resolution excluded all mass destruction arms.

Russia and the Soviet bloc countries latterly opposed the Norwegian-French proposals and indicated that they had no intention of submitting the requested data.

The vote was 44 to 5 with five abstentions.

The Assembly then rejected a Soviet proposal which would have included atomic data in any census of weapons. The vote on this was six for, 39 against and nine abstaining.

The two resolutions grew out of Soviet demands that the five big powers slash their armaments by one-third.

The Western powers argued that no arms reductions could be put into effect until complete verified information was available.

France opened the last round of debate by charging that the Russians are trying to trap the Western powers into disarmament while they are building up their armaments unprecedented in history.—Associated Press.

Another Murder In Eritrea

Asmara, December 5. Eritrean terrorists who have warned Italians to leave Eritrea or risk death, claimed another Italian victim on Sunday afternoon.

He was Nardi Silvio, aged 56, employed on an administrative experimental farm at Marese, 32 miles from Asmara. Silvio was shot dead by a bandit gang of 15 to 20 men, presumably commanded by the Ethiopian bandit leader Haile Abbal.

The bandits took the rifles of two Eritrean guards and Nardi's shotgun and with these weapons they soon afterwards attacked a nearby five-man post of the "Bandas" (administrative-sponsored armed peasants).

The bandits wounded one member of the post and took three more rifles away with them.

The Asmara Massawa diesel train was held up on Saturday afternoon 10 miles from Massawa by five or six bandits. The British Military escort fired and killed one bandit and, it is thought, wounded one other.—Associated Press.

BAO DAI GOING TO PARIS

Saigon, December 5. A spokesman for Bao Dai said today the former Emperor is going to Paris this month to try to speed French Parliamentary approval of the treaty which gives his Vietnam regime dominion status.

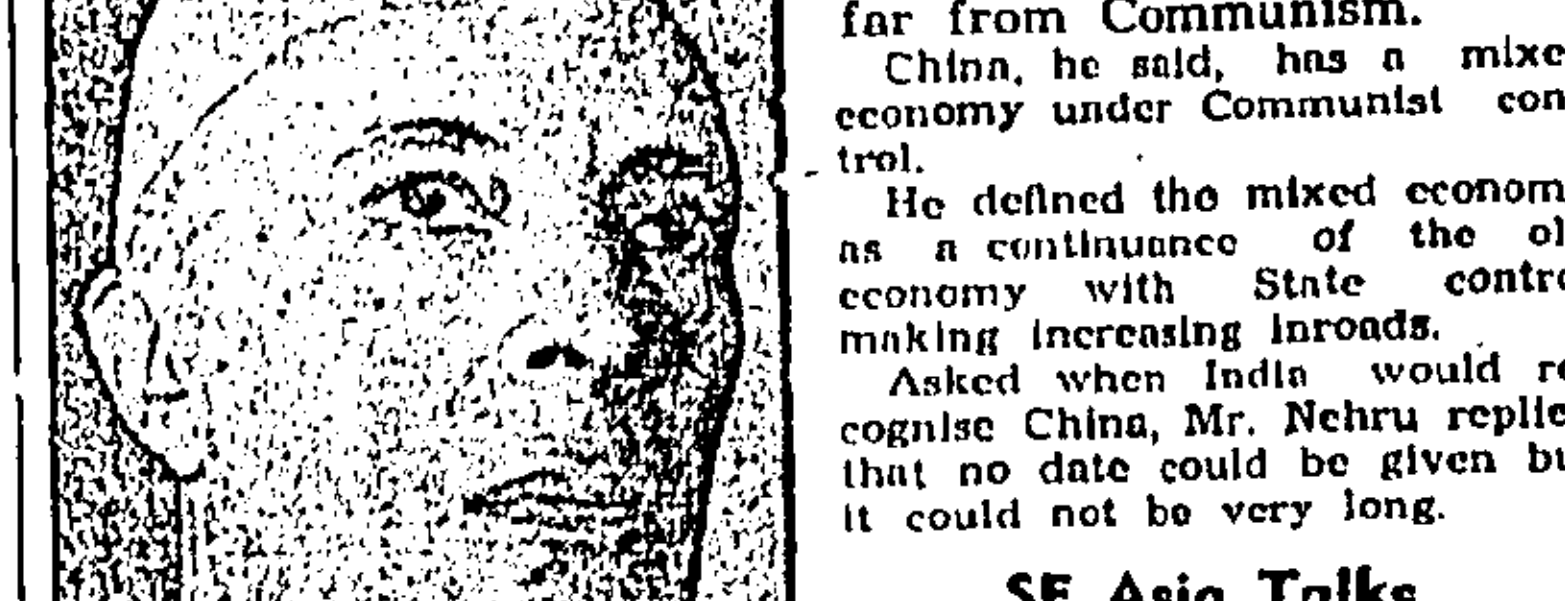
Bao Dai signed the treaty last March with the French President, M. Vincent Auriol. A French Government spokesman said recently both the United States and Britain are in a hurry to recognize Bao Dai's regime. They cannot do so until the treaty is put into effect.—Associated Press.

Nehru Says :

ASIA PASSING THROUGH STAGE OF TRANSITION

New Delhi, December 5. Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, the Indian Premier, today said that Communism in Asia is one phase of the extension of industrial revolution to the East at a peculiar moment of world crisis.

He told a Press conference that Asia is passing through a severe stage of transition from agricultural to industrial economy with democracy functioning on various planes.



PANDIT NEHRU

NORWAY'S DEFENCE

Oslo, December 5. A Norwegian Defence Commission has recommended an increase of nearly 50 per cent in Norway's annual expenditure over that of the past three years, it was stated in a report published here today.

The report calls for an annual defence expenditure of 200,000,000 kroner (\$15,000,000) and a capital expenditure of nearly 1,000,000,000 kroner (\$75,000,000) during the next six years.

The Commission has worked for three years on the report, which covers all aspects of Norwegian defence—military, civil, economic and psychological.

The proposals are based on Norway's membership of the Atlantic Pact.

"Peace in Norway can only be secure as part of the peace of Europe. Our most urgent military task is to ensure that Norwegian territory is not regarded as a 'military vacuum' by the Commission wrote in its introduction to the report.—Reuter.

U.S. DIPLOMAT IN PAKISTAN

Karachi, December 5. Mr. George C. McGhee, United States Assistant Secretary of State for Middle East and African Affairs, is due to arrive at Karachi on Thursday evening from Teheran for a three-day visit to Pakistan.

Mr. McGhee is touring the Middle East following the recent conference of United States representatives in the Middle East, held at Istanbul. Mr. McGhee presided at the conference.

He will be flying to Peshawar from Karachi on Saturday to meet the Premier, Liaquat Ali Khan, who is on a tour of the North West Frontier.

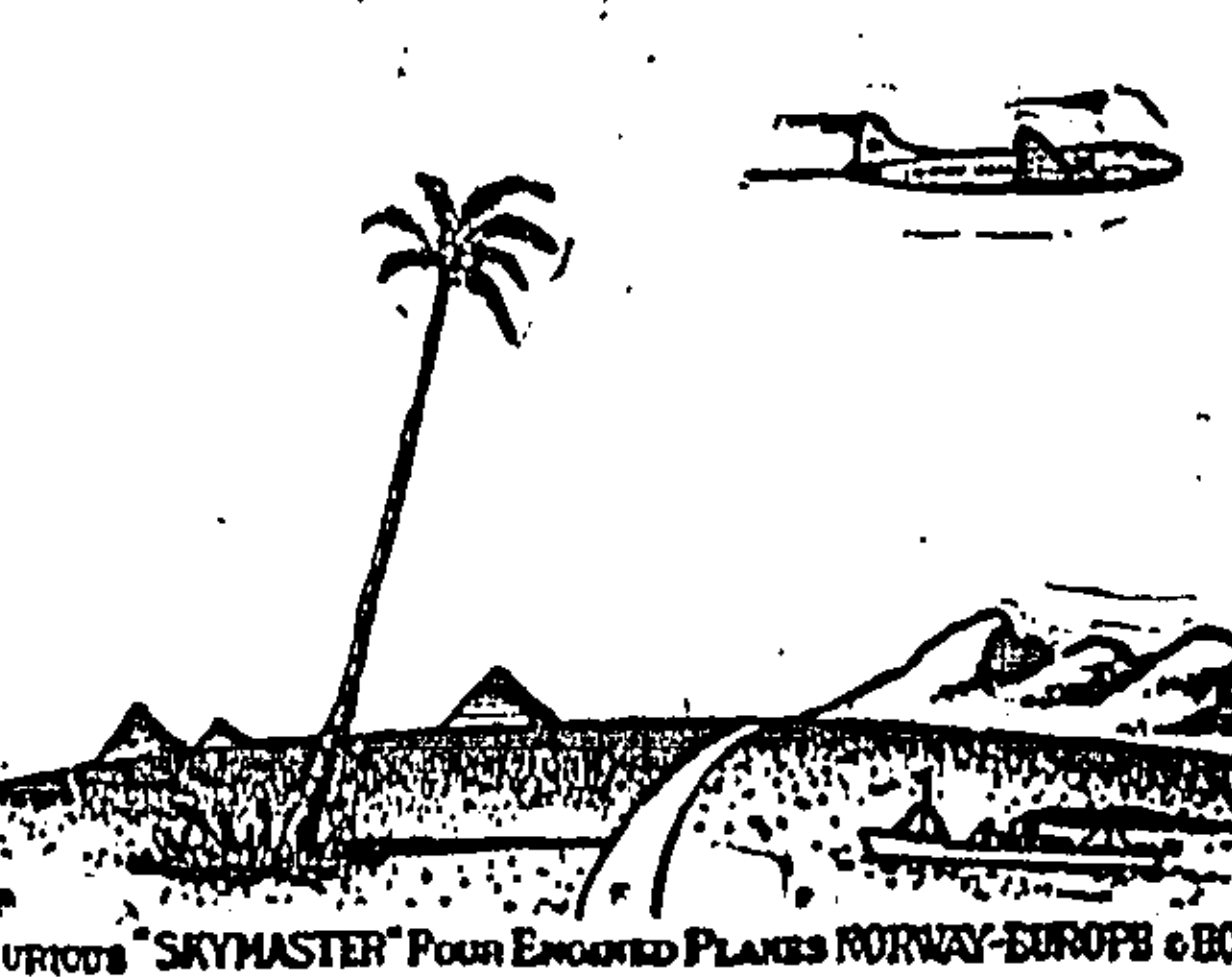
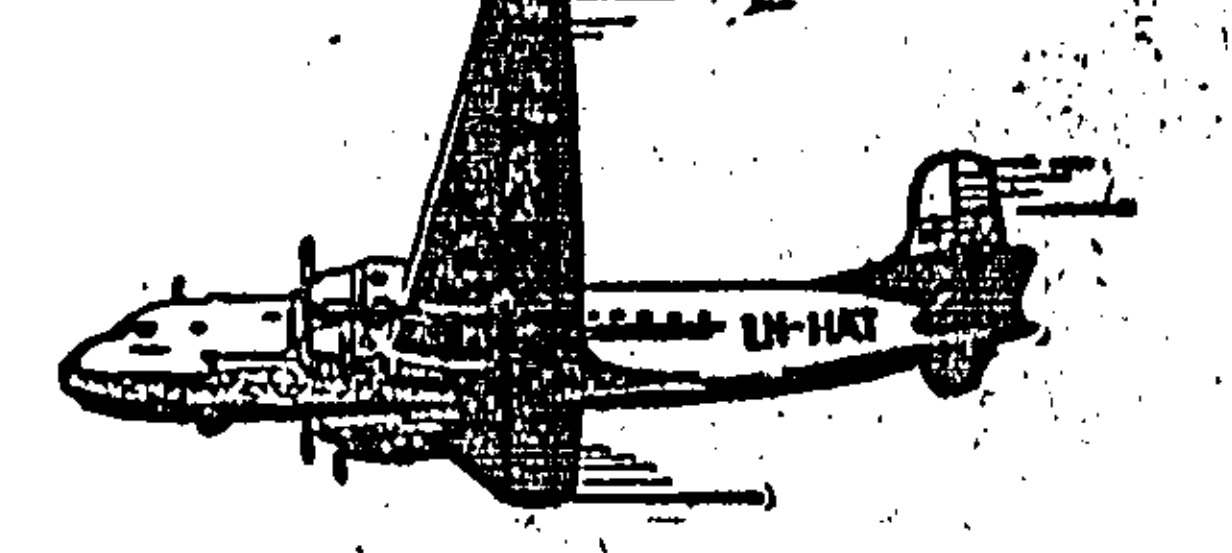
In Karachi, he will have discussions with the Finance Minister, Ghulam Mohammad, and officials of the Foreign Ministry.—Associated Press.

ANTI-CONSCRIPT MOVE AT BONN

Bonn, December 5. The leftist Catholic Centre Party in the West German Parliament will ask the Government to speed up the submission of a draft law, ensuring that nobody can be forced into military service against his conscience.

The new law would make it impossible to introduce any form of compulsory service in Germany.—Reuter.

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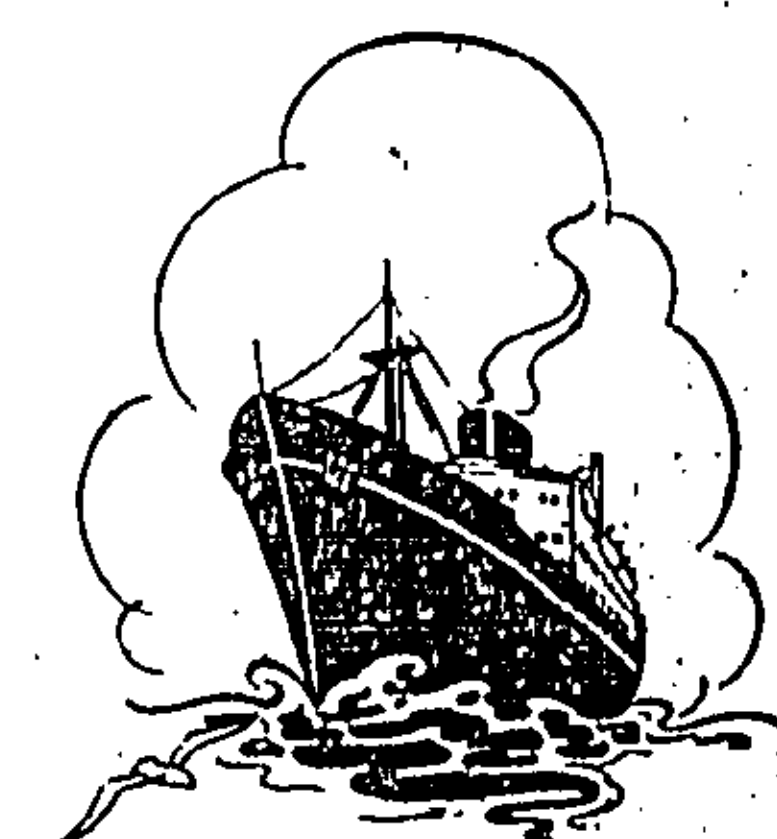
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Sketches by
FRANCIS MARSHALL

I believe the word utility stands between quite a large section of the public and some excellent though inexpensive clothes.

The idea of anything being utilitarian is not glamorous, but there must be a word to classify this range of low-priced garments. As in most things, some are better than others.

You will do well to examine your utility garment before buying, but on the whole the standard of finish is exceptionally high.

Certainly these clothes are much better put together than many of the more expensive ready-mades we hear so much about from America.

The models you see sketched here are taken from stock, just as they are found in the shops in Britain. I have looked at the seams, hems, and buttons, and they are strongly sewn and tidy.

We suggest them as a few examples of the good value you can find for your money in Britain.

The smart suit with the pleated skirt looks much more expensive than it is; note all the material in the skirt, and that the pockets are real, not just flaps, like some we have encountered.

This suit is on sale at the moment in birds-eye material yellow-brown or green-brown; in herringbone, nigger-white, or grey-white; and in plain black, green, and brown.

The blouse-back dress in fine soft wool is so up-to-date and so becoming. The neckline, which is a wide decollete, which can be filled in with a soft scarf in the morning. If you prefer, but makes it a dress which would carry you through to a dinner date, or maybe a bridge party with the addition of pearls or gay jewellery.

The next in line is a neat idea. This simple, young-looking suit with its rounded shoulders and shirt-waist effect, serves a dual purpose. Either as you see it here, or the material is so pliant you can tuck the jacket inside the waistband of the skirt and turn it into a classic lightweight woollen dress. In pale blue, or a smart mustard color, it is designed by Dorville.

The fitted topcoat is pure wool gabardine weave, lined throughout with matching rayon crepe. Note the belted fullness across the back; nothing skimpy here. Also that high collar will lie flat if you like it better that way.

This one is a lovely cherry red. It is in the shops now in elephant, bottle and navy.

RECIPES

Jellied Tomato And Asparagus Salad

- 1 lb. asparagus
- 2 tomatoes
- 2 pkgs. lemon-flavored gelatine
- 2 cups boiling water
- 2 tbsps. vinegar
- 1 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/2 cup celery crescents
- Salad greens
- Real mayonnaise
- Sliced tomatoes

Wash the asparagus and remove tough ends and skin. Smoothly with sharp knife. Cook in boiling salted water until tender. Drain and chill. Peel tomatoes and chop way to do this is to hold each tomato over the fire for about one minute, until the skin begins to split, when it can be removed easily. Cut tomatoes into cubes and place in strainer to drain. Reserve the juice.

Add vinegar and salt to juice of the cubed tomatoes and enough cold water to make this liquid measure two cups. Dissolve lemon-flavored gelatine in boiling water then stir in mixture of juice and water. Chill until syrupy.

Arrange groups of three or four asparagus spears in six places in an 8-inch square pan. Cover with gelatine and chill until firm. Dice remaining asparagus and add to remaining gelatine with tomato and celery. Pour over asparagus spears and chill until firm. Unmold on salad greens. Spoon a ribbon of real mayonnaise across the centre and place sliced tomatoes on this ribbon. The recipe will provide six servings.

The shape of the molded salad you serve should be as interesting as its contents. From the square-shaped red and green salad mentioned above let's go on to.

These Red Cross activities, their school and home life.

These albums are sent to National Headquarters in Melbourne, and thence to the Red Cross Headquarters in Geneva. There they are photographed, if necessary, and sent to Junior Red Cross circles in other countries. Australian Headquarters receives albums in return, which teach Australian Junior Red Cross members about children of other nations.

Twenty-Five Years With The Junior Red Cross

By SUSAN BARRIE

After 25 years' service as a Junior Red Cross worker, gentle, graying Miss Dorothy Rowsell, of Sydney, retired this year.

Known and loved by thousands of children in New South Wales, she joined Junior Red Cross in 1924, 10 years after the movement was founded by the late Mrs. Eleanor McKinnon.

Mrs. McKinnon acted as honorary publicity officer, and Miss Rowsell became her assistant. In addition to publicity work, however, she was a social welfare officer for

Junior Red Cross. Visiting families in need, she advised them and gave practical aid in cases of financial distress or ill health.

Families of ex-servicemen were always her special care. If, for instance, she found a family in which the parents were sick and needed help, she arranged free medical treatment for them and took the children to one of the five Junior Red Cross homes in New South Wales, until the parents were able to look after them again.

Often, too, she found part-time employment for a war widow who wished to supplement her pension by earning extra money.

In these homes Dorothy Rowsell was a trusted friend and counsellor.

Co-Editor Of Paper

When, in 1919, Mrs. McKinnon started the New South Wales "Junior Red Cross Record"—the first Junior Red Cross magazine in the world—Miss Rowsell became its co-editor. The paper was published continuously for 30 years, until June, 1949, when it was incorporated as a supplement in the "Australasian Red Cross Junior," which is published at national headquarters, Melbourne.

For some years, Miss Rowsell was also co-editor of the "Red Cross Record," official organ of the Red Cross Society of New South Wales. She became noted both as a writer and as a capable organizer.

At holiday camps in New South Wales, which Junior Red Cross conducts several times each year

for underprivileged children, Miss Rowsell was always a willing helper, and in the course of her duties she met many of the 20,000 Junior Red Cross members in the State.

Junior Red Cross, which now has 23,000,000 members throughout the world, had its origin in Australia.

The late Mrs. Eleanor McKinnon, who founded the movement in Sydney in 1914, believed that children, as future citizens, should learn the importance of service to their fellows. So she planned to form Junior Red Cross Circles to teach young people such practical things as first aid, life saving and camp cooking.

From this beginning, she developed the present Junior Red Cross movement, which is dedicated to service, health and happiness for all.

In the same State, there are 1,500 Junior Red Cross circles, mostly in schools.

To carry out their ideal of service, members of Junior Red Cross raise money for Junior Red Cross welfare work, including the support of nine holiday homes for sick or underprivileged children. Red Cross members also knit or make garments to send to distressed children in Europe, and many circles collect clothing, toys, flowers and fruit for hospitals.

In one instance, Junior Red Cross circles raised 2,200 towards the salary of an almoner at a children's hospital. Other circles provided funds to buy the hospital an ambulance, and a film projector.

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LI TSUNG-JEN TO ASK AMERICA FOR AID AGAINST REDS

POLAND REPEATS CHARGES

Paris, December 5.
M. Putnam, the Polish Ambassador in Paris, today repeated his charges that M. Josef Czerwinski, a Pole who was arrested on an espionage charge, and other Poles had been beaten by the French police while under arrest.

In a note handed to the French Foreign Office today, M. Putnam repeated his claim that the expulsion of French citizens from Poland was a retaliation for the expulsion of Poles from France and that French nationals charged with espionage in Poland would have legal assistance.

The Polish note concluded by stating that the Polish Government considered that it would be much more useful to make Franco-Polish relations normal, which was the intention of the Polish Government.

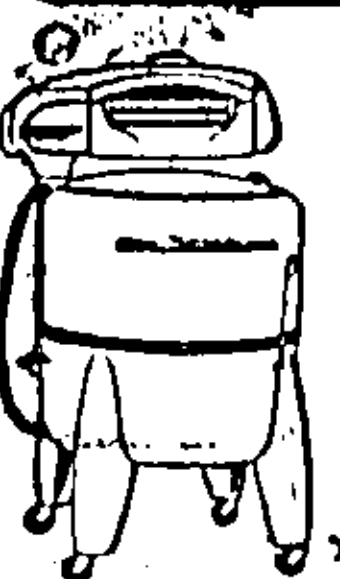
Commenting on M. Putnam's note, a French Foreign Office official said that, although the expulsion of Poles from France was a diplomatic matter, which was the intention of the Polish Government, it is certain that it is part of the policy being pursued by all the Soviet satellite countries of getting rid of all foreigners with long residence in the country and a good knowledge of it.

They are anxious to reduce foreign representation with long residence in their territory to an isolated enclave not only to cut off real information about the country but to prevent real information from contaminating the people.

A French Foreign Office spokesman said today that, according to such information as could be obtained, 18 people of French origin but now under arrest in Poland are a woman.

"Every day we learn of new arrests but generally only by chance," he added.—Reuter.

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Detroit, December 5.
Acting President Li Tsung-jen of China probably will ask the United States actively to resist further spread of Communism in the Orient. Mr. Frank H. Bartholomew, United Press Vice-President in charge of the Pacific area, told the Detroit Economic Club this today.

Mr. Bartholomew, who was in charge of United Press war coverage in the Pacific, recently returned from a trip to the Orient. He was in Shanghai a few hours before the city fell to the Communists.

Pointing out that President Li now is on his way to the United States, Mr. Bartholomew told the Club: "A mutual decision is about to be reached directly to a direct answer to all issues to be made."

Revealing that he had talked with President Li in Canton shortly before the Communists marched in, Mr. Bartholomew quoted the Acting President as saying:

"The Marshall plan has brought this disaster to pass. It is like a cake around Easter protecting the Western nations from the advanced flood waters of Communism which well up out of Moscow."

"The Duke has held and European countries are protected, but that did not shut off the flow of the well."

"A Lost War"

"Now these waters back up upon the Orient and are flowing through the most populous part of the globe. There are more under-privileged people here, more restlessness and more potential strife. The Marshall plan has cost you the Pacific war."

Mr. Bartholomew said Russia is furnishing lighter planes and supplies to the Communists in North Korea. He told of going up to the front lines where the Communists and Republicans of South Korea were fighting.

He said, "I observed that the Communist light artillery was of American manufacture like that of the Republicans, so it seemed to be a fair conclusion that American ammunition was being fired back and forth in daily battles. For people who profess to love peace, we seem to have distributed a lot of guns and ammunition around the globe into the hands of foreigners all too eager to use them."

Mr. Bartholomew said United States officials deliberately deceived the South Korean Air Force of planes.

Check On Rhoe

"The reason is the firm conviction on the part of U.S. military officials, and one which I admit I came to share, that if the Republic of South Korea could say hands on a few fighter planes and bombers it would proceed at once wholeheartedly to blast the hell out of Communist Korea, 50 miles North of Seoul."

Mr. Bartholomew added, "President Syngman Rhee, his army and his advisers are convinced that they could conquer the Communists and reconstruct the country as an entity."

"But the United States doubts that he could hold what he might win and is by no means convinced that the Russians would stand by and see North Korea subdued and brought into the Republic."

"The U.S. policy now is a continuous attempt to keep President Rhee in hand."—United Press.

China Denies Taiwan Offer To America

Washington, December 5.
A Chinese Embassy spokesman today denied a report by the radio commentator, Drew Pearson, that the Acting Chinese Nationalist President, General Li Tsung-jen, planned to offer the United States a 99-year lease on the island of Taiwan.

The spokesman said the report was completely untrue.

—United Press.

PYJAMA GIRL'S DISAPPEARANCE

London, December 5.

A Government investigation today wound up an inconclusive hearing on the disappearance of pretty 20-year-old Gwendolyn McCullum from the liner Oranienstein on October 30.

David Thomson, who conducted the investigation for the Ministry of Transport, said that he was unable, for lack of evidence, to endorse the entry in the Oranienstein log of "presumed death by disappearance." Material witnesses, he said, are in Australia.

The girl vanished from the ship on a trip from Sydney to Melbourne. Australian police have reached a tentative conclusion of suicide. The girl's mother and father had recently died.

The hearing here was required by law because the Oranienstein is a British vessel.—Associated Press.

ANGUS WARD PAYS OFF STAFF

Washington, December 5.
A State Department spokesman said today that Mr. Angus Ward, Consul-General in Moscow, has reported that he had completed paying severance payments to the Chinese staff but has not yet been advised by the Chinese Communist authorities of the date of his departure for himself and his staff.

The spokesman, Mr. Michael McDermott, said Mr. Ward gave that information today to the Consul-General at Peking, Mr. Edmund Clubb, by telephone. Mr. Ward gave no details of terminal payments.—United Press.

Cairo, December 5.
The British First Division will hold manoeuvres in Libya from December 15 to 17, it was officially announced today.—Associated Press.

Exploring The Seas



Dr. Hans Habs, 30, Austrian hydrobiologist is seen at Cairo wearing diving apparatus which he says allows him to stay up to one hour at a depth of 100 feet. Habs is preparing for an under-sea expedition off the Red Sea coast, and says if the seven seas' resources were properly exploited, the world would not have to worry any more about food. He has explored the submarine world for the last 10 years. He is married to an Austrian film star, Hamelore Schroth. He said that he and a group of fellow scientists have evolved a new revolutionary and rational fishing technique which will be disclosed soon.—Associated Press Photo.

White Australia: Synod Resolution

Sydney, December 5.

The Anglican Synod convening here unanimously urged discretion in the administration of the "so-called white Australia policy."

A Synod representative, Malcolm Perry, said: "According to some historical records, Jesus Christ was coloured, and I suppose the Minister (for Immigration, Arthur A. Calwell) would keep him out on those grounds."

The Synod unanimously passed a motion urging "discretion in cases where rigid enforcement would threaten the sanctity of marriage, or deprive an Australian citizen of some fundamental right or tend to prejudice mutual goodwill of Australia and the nations of the East."

A Synod representative, E.C.B. MacLaurin, called Mr. Calwell's enforcement of the White Australia policy "totalitarianism."

The Opposition leader, Robert G. Menzies, in his policy speech for the December 10 elections, said that although the Liberal and Country parties would continue to maintain Australia's settled migration policy, they believed in humane and common sense administration. "All cases of aliens resident in Australia should be considered, not as if the law allowed no human discretion, but in the light of the circumstances of each case," he said.

However, the Sydney "Daily Mirror" bitterly denounced the Synod's resolution and "anti-Australian" writers who attacked Mr. Calwell's administration of the White Australia policy.

"Any political party which seeks to break down our White (Continued On Next Col.)

VILLAGERS HAIL ETNA "MIRACLE"

Catania, December 5.

Men and women knelt today in the tiny whitewashed church of the village of Bronte on the slopes of Mount Etna and gave thanks for the "miracle" that saved their homes from a flaming river of lava.

Villagers had returned to their houses late last night after a three days' eruption by the volcano, which sent lava gushing down the Western slopes.

In the last stages of the eruption, it looked as though the tiny village which stands on the slopes of the Duke of Bronte's descendant of Admiral Lord Nelson—would be engulfed.

The villagers streamed out to safety points further down the slopes and from there watched with horror and prayed for salvation as the incandescent wall of lava advanced towards their abandoned homes.

Today they gave thanks for the answering of their prayers. The lava had practically come to a halt and experts said that the eruption could be regarded as finished.

After the church service the villagers climbed up the slopes, clambering over the dark twisted lava of previous eruptions.

With arms crooked before their faces to ward off the pulsing waves of heat from the new lava, they looked on the smouldering ashes where there had been fertile fields and olive groves only a few days before.

An old man said, indicating a blackened tree stump: "That was my pine olive tree. My father told me it was planted the day I was born."

"I grew up with it and its shade served to protect me and my children and their children. I had hoped to sit under it again—perhaps for the last time—this summer—I am glad my father did not live to see this."

Today people here began smiling and joking again in relief that the danger, slight as it was, had been ended.

Citizens were able to lay aside the umbrellas and newspaper hats that they had used to protect themselves from falling cinders. "One newspaper vendor declared tonight: 'The bottom has dropped out of my business.'"

—Reuter.

Australia barriers will quickly be swept into oblivion, because no responsible leader and no responsible newspaper would seriously advocate abrogation of a national policy that, in 1942, enabled Australia to become a bastion of democracy against Asiatic aggressors," the "Mirror" said.—United Press.

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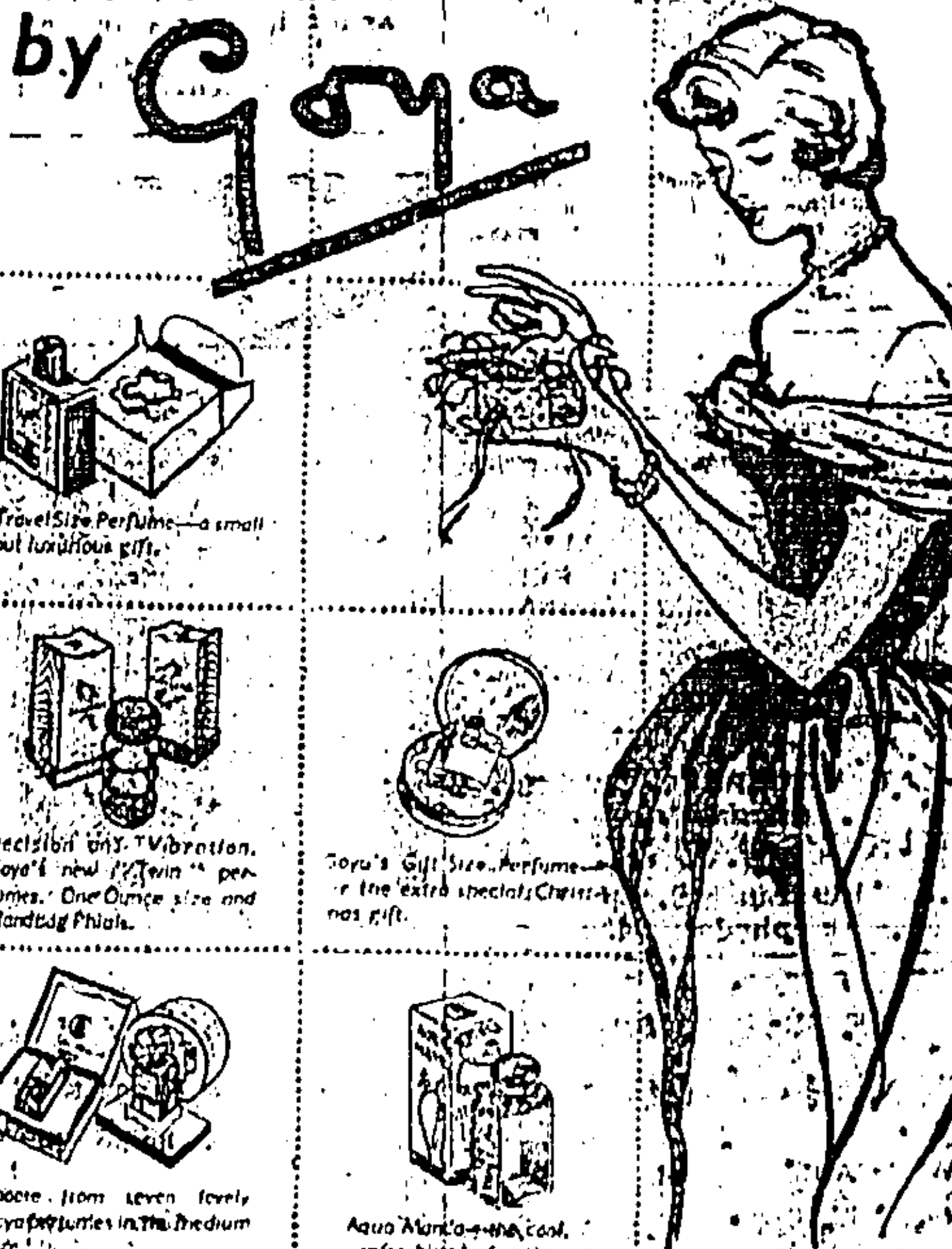
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TEEN AGE TOPICS

THE TEEN SET

By BETTY BETZ

The world is a fascinating place to visit, but for everyday living, I'll take the U.S.A.

It seems funny now to be opening my left-over Christmas presents, from last year and it's tough finding drawers and cubby holes for all the souvenirs and curios I've collected from Bangkok to Berlin.

But after living five and a half months in faraway places, I can really appreciate the solid comfort of my country, much of which Americans take for granted.

For instance, can you kid imagine touring around to six drug stores before you find one which sells tooth paste at the standard price? In India, I remember bargaining for half an hour over the price of a tube of toothpaste. In spite of all the secret caves in India, I've had my first glass of milk in almost half a year, for milk in foreign countries is often not pasteurised. "Thank goodness I no longer have to go easy on soap, which is a scarce and expensive commodity in many countries. And my! It does look strange to see a bowl of sugar on every table in a restaurant, I stare at the good-looking, healthy American girl, and can't get over how clean, neat and well dressed they are. In most foreign countries very few kids even think about fashion for the main problem is just to find something to wear. (Often I went bare-legged in freezing lands because a pair of nylon cost as much as US\$10, and I'm just getting accustomed to seeing sheer hose again.)

I'm glad to get back to the easy, efficient and comfortable American way of life, but the last few days have you kind of bewildered by it all.

Kids are humming new songs that I've never heard, and there are movies to catch up on. I'm wondering what fads, fashions and slang expressions have caught on with the teen set. Am I square

FORMER JUDGE ON TRIAL

Sarajevo, December 5.
Witnesses were brought before the District Court here today to testify against Ansel Koromovic, himself a former judge and public prosecutor, who is on trial for collaboration with the enemy during the war and spying for Russia since 1947.

He is one of the 10 White Russians, all Soviet citizens, who have been on trial here since Thursday on similar charges. Koromovic, the only defendant who has so far pleaded "not guilty", today admitted having sent to Soviet Embassy officials in Belgrade "false reports" on how the White Russian colony in Sarajevo was treated. But he denied that he had reported Yugoslav discrimination against Soviet citizens in favour of "Anglo-Americans and such-like". At this, the public prosecutor jumped up and shouted, "It is a lie!"—Reuter.

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as a bear? Well, I'll catch up soon.

"We autograph hunters aren't as bad as people think," said 15-year-old, red-headed Bobby Levine, who is never caught without his dog-eared autograph book in his coat pocket.

It contains the genuine scrawls of over a hundred famous stars. I spent a hilarious hour with the group of kids who are known to chase taxis, wait for hours outside hotels, and use every sort of sob story in the book to wrangle the signature of a top bucket star.

Most of them are just high school students who get a kick out of looking at celebrities, and the genuine autograph is one way of impressing the rest of the gang at school.

The same faces always pop up at my hotel, Twenty-One Club, the theatre, and every place I go. Walter Pidgeon once told me, "How do they know where I'm going?" I asked them the same question and got a lot of mysterious looks.

The Secret Six knows everything," said a girl named Ruth who not only knows where the stars are staying, but she can rattle off their room numbers too. Evidently they all meet on a certain street corner to swap information, and then spread out to their respective territories.

I also learned that these autograph sharks each carry two books—one for the top stars and the other for the members of radio programmes and orchestras.

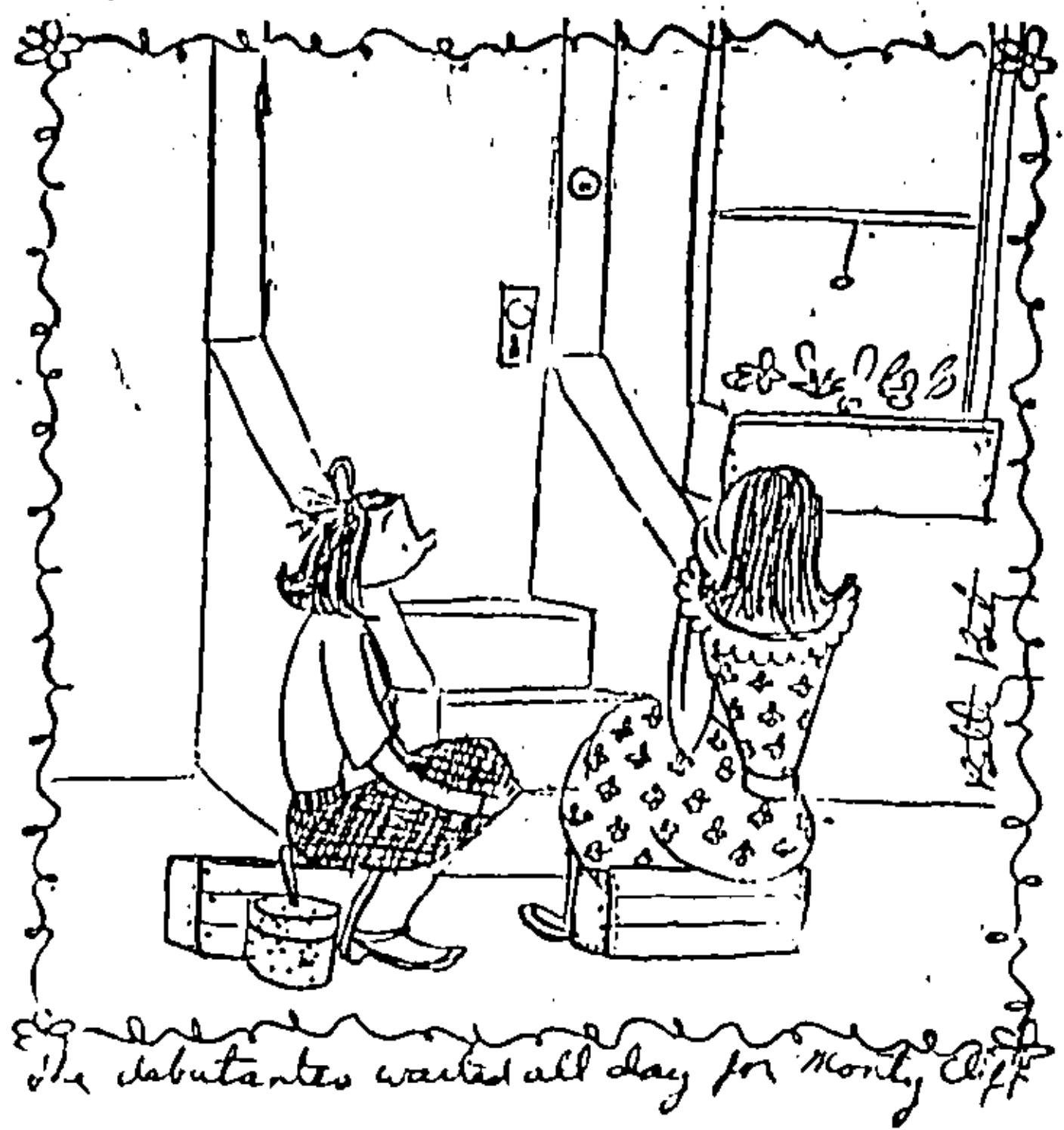
"The ones that aren't so famous as in our 'Crumb Book,'" explained Allen Chaffet, who added that he doesn't like his good collection of stars mixed with lesser-known celebrities. Linda Harwell takes first prize from these kids for being their dream-girl, as she not only hands out autographed pictures but gives them cab fare, too. Ingrid Bergman, Rita Hayworth and Betty Davis scored zero in popularity, and I'm sure the feeling is mutual as far as they're concerned.

I also learned that the kids keep up this fad for a few years and then turn to more constructive hobbies, that is everyone except a fifty-year-old woman named "Grandma Mildred," who wears a bandanna kerchief and bobby-sox and stands for hours in the snow and rain, just for an autograph.

"Autograph hunting is fun," said Joan Ginsberg, "but I don't think I'll be interested in it when I'm a grandma!"

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WAIT, MR. SMITH... YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND!

NOT I OVERHEARD FROM THE DOORWAY! YOU CAME HERE ONCE BEFORE AND INSULTED MY WIFE... AND NOW YOU'RE TRYING TO BUY HER SILENCE!

STOP SMITH! STAND WHERE YOU ARE!

I SWARE, GAUNT! IF I EVER FOUND YOU HERE AGAIN, I'D BASH YOUR FLABBY FACE IN! NOW PUT UP YOUR HANDS!

JOHN! JOHN! ONE SIDE, MARY! THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY TO TREAT A VIPER! THINK OF OUR SAFETY!

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NOT SO BLACK, PAL! WITH A LITTLE PERSONAL ATTENTION, YOU CAN TRANSFORM THAT DEAD DUCK INTO A DEAD DUCK!

JANE

Peering out from the cave, Jane sees...

SO THAT'S THE ROUTE I SHOULD HAVE TAKEN—BUT IT'S A GOOD JOB I DIDN'T IN THE CIRCLES—GILES WOULD GO TO ANY LENGTHS TO STOP ME PUTTING THE POLICE ON HIS TRACKS...

...MAY AS WELL DRY MY CLOTHES ON THIS ROCK WHILE I'M WAITING UNTIL THE COAST'S CLEAR...

Giles mount the cliffs by a path she had not noticed!

Platter Chatter

Judging from Redd Foxx's "Hit Parade," the male singers are once more dominating the scene. A short while ago, the girls eclipsed the baritone with hit after hit by Dinah Shore, Doris Day, Evelyn Knight, Peggy Lee, Kay Starr and Ella Fitzgerald.

The present hit parade shows a preponderance of male vocalists with Bing Crosby and Frank Sinatra conspicuously absent. This again gives rise to the question—are they both finished? My personal opinion is an emphatic No where Bing is concerned but it is apparent that Sinatra is slipping in public esteem.

Frankie Laine provides the biggest surprise with "That Lucky Old Sun" on which he shows considerable improvement by dropping his customary spurious vibrato.

Also to be commended are: Perry Como—A Dreamer's Holiday; Vaughn Monroe—Someday; Dick Haymes—Roomful of Roses.

You're Breaking My Heart is an excellent tune but both versions, that of the Ink Spots and Bill Harrington, are not fully satisfying.

Don't Cry Joe is confection for the public sweet tooth and nothing I can say will prevent this gummy tune from being played over and over again. The youthful Bill Lawrence will have to curb the tendency to drag his notes and must improve his phrasing to be classed

as a leading singer. His current best, Jealous Heart, deserves only fair rating. Connie Haines' "Maybe It's Because I'm Below the Standard of Her Tommy Dorsey Orchestra," does.

The Andrews Sisters prove their versatility with a fine rendition of I Can Dream, Can't I.

Royal Requests
Of great interest is this report in "Time" magazine that at a party, Queen Elizabeth requested Baby, It's Cold Outside and King George, asked for Always True to You in My Fashion.

There are two good records of "Baby" one by Dinah Shore with the late Buddy Clark and the other by Ella Fitzgerald and Louis Jordan. Always True by the Pogo Cavanaugh Trio is the best I have so far heard of this number. The Wren.

MRS. STEWART ON WAY OUT

London, December 5.
Mrs. Duncan Stewart, wife of the Governor of Sarawak, left by plane today for Singapore to help minister to her husband, who was stricken at Sibru, Sarawak, on Saturday.

I believe my husband is a little better and unless complications set in he should be all right. But I really don't know very much more about it than you do," Mrs. Stewart told reporters.—Associated Press.

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"CHANGTE"	Japan	7th Jan.	
ARRIVALS FROM			
"TAPING"	Australia & Manila	13th Dec.	
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H.K.T.

P.M.

12.15 Morning Prayers (Studio)

12.30 "Hong Kong Calico Program" Summary

12.32 "The Richard Tauber Program" With Richard Tauber the Melodrama Orchestra and Guest, Miss Gwynne (BBC)

1.00 David Rose and His Orchestra

1.15 News, Weather Report and Announcements

1.25 Interlude

1.32 London Studio Concert (BBC) Northern Orchestra Conducted by Charles Groves (BBC)

2.00 Close Down

6.00 "Hong Kong Calling" Program Summary

6.02 "Band Call" (BBC) Variety Orchestra conducted by Ray Jenkins with Janet Davis and chorus (BBC)

6.04 Orchestra Mania (BBC) Ray Jenkins

6.40 Hal Loretto at the Piano

7.00 World News and News Analysis (London Relay)

7.15 "Much Binding in the March" With Richard Murdoch and Kenneth Horne (BBC)

7.45 "Generally Speaking" "Sir George Alexander, the Union Actor-Manager" by Howard Parsons (London Relay)

8.00 "From the Editorials" (London Relay)

8.10 "Record Round-About" Variety Request Program Presented by Sue Dawson (Studio)

9.10 "Services Spotlight"—A Concert by the Band of the Royal Leicesters (Relay from The Nine Dragons Club, Kowloon)

10.00 Radio News Reel (London Relay)

10.15 Weather Report

10.18 "French Cabaret"

10.45 Recital: Piano Duet by Ethel Bartlett and Rae Robertson

11.00 Dance To Kay Kayser and His Orchestra

11.15 Weather Report, World and Home News From Britain (Relay from London, Recorded)

God Save the King

11.40 Close Down

FISH PRICES

Fresh fish average prices realized at the Hong Kong Fish Wholesale Market, Kennedy Town, yesterday were:

First quality	Average price	Average price
a catty	a catty	a catty
Yellow Croaker	\$1.38	\$1.40
Mud Grouper	1.42	1.55
Ginger Fish	1.27	1.24
Golden Thread	1.18	1.00
Horse Head (large)	1.25	1.20
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Committal Proceedings In Manslaughter Case

Committal proceedings were started yesterday before Mr. A. D. Scholes at Central when Charles D. Chang, aged 29, residing at the Chinese Y.M.C.A., was charged with manslaughter. Accused was alleged to have killed Yam Ming, an office boy, at Room 509, Marina House, fifth floor, on November 29 after a fight.

Detective Sub-Inspector Baggott conducted the case for the prosecution and Mr. A. S. K. Lau appeared for the defence.

DSI Baggott in his opening remarks said that accused is an employee of the Far East Rubber Company and was transferred five months ago from Shanghai. He worked in a branch office at Room 509 Marina House, fifth floor, which is occupied by the U.S. Rubber Export Company. This office is connected with the Far East Rubber Company.

On the night of November 29, accused went to the office in Marina House with two letters, which he was going to hand to the office boy (deceased) for delivery. Accused was accompanied by Miss Cheng, a friend of his.

On reaching the office, he found the door locked but there was a light showing inside. Accused tried to gain entrance by using the office key, but could not open the door, which was bolted from inside. Accused then knocked at the door several times, believing that the office boy (deceased) was inside, but received no reply.

General Fight

Accused then forced open the door, entered the office, accused found deceased sweeping the floor. Accused asked deceased why he did not open the door on hearing his knocks. Deceased said that he did not hear any knocks.

Deceased was alleged to have raised the broom he was holding and pointed it at accused.

Accused brushed aside the broom, the prosecution claimed, and a general fight took place, during which accused was hit. It was alleged that accused took the broom away from deceased and swung it.

Accused, said the prosecution, then saw deceased bleeding from the head.

On seeing that deceased was bleeding, accused at once stopped fighting and at the same time dressed deceased's wound.

Accused and another office boy took deceased to the Tung Wah Hospital for treatment. Accused was not only concerned in taking the deceased to hospital for treatment but was also concerned with informing police.

Deceased was treated at the Tung Wah Hospital and had stitches in his head wound. A morphine injection was also administered. At the hospital accused also asked the Doctor how

he could get in touch with the police. This was done by the Doctor himself. Deceased, after receiving treatment from the Tung Wah Hospital, was removed to the Queen Mary Hospital. Deceased died the next morning at 6.15 a.m.

A post-mortem was carried out on deceased after his relatives had identified the body. Death was due to a fractured skull and cerebral haemorrhage.

Hearing of the case will continue to-day.

Rediffusion

A.M.
7.00—Up With The Sun.
7.15—Betting Up Exercises.
7.30—Musical Clock.
7.45—Cyma Time.
8.00—News & Weather Forecast.
8.15—Random Rhythms.
8.45—Through The Looking Glass—A Programme for Women.
9.00—Morning Music.
9.30—Concise & Keyboard.
10.00—Music For All.
10.30—Morning Melody—Featuring Phil Britton, Victoria Gordon, The Gail Sisters, Roy Shiel's Orchestra.
11.00—Airline Melodies.
11.30—Parade of Rhythm.

P.M.
12.00—H.K. Stock Exchange.
12.15—Tune Time.
12.32—Variety Dancers.
1.00—Hawaiian Music.
1.15—News—Relay.
1.30—London Studio Concert.
2.00—Afternoon Music—Concerto No. 4 in G Major (Beethoven) Arthur Schnabel (Pianoforte) and the Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Louis Dobrowen—Trio No. 1 in B Flat Major (Schubert) Arthur Schnabel—Piano; Jascha Heifetz—Violin; Emanuel Feuermann—Cello.

4.00—Shin Bryant and His Wildcats.
4.15—Waltz Time.
4.30—Vocally Yours.
5.00—Music Makers—King Cole Trio & His Orchestra.
5.15—Children's Corner—with Betty Bragg.
5.30—Harmony Hall.
5.45—Radio Headlines—Glenn Miller & His Orchestra.
6.00—The Hot Club.
6.30—The Jumpin' Jacks.
6.45—Do You Remember?
7.00—B.C. News.
7.15—Candlelight and Silver—Dinner Music In A Light Classical Vein.
8.00—Romantic Cycles.
8.15—The Super-Gala Programme—The Synchronized Screamers—The Charles Jordan, Tenor.
8.30—The Dairy Farm Programme—Allen Roth's Symphony of Melody.

9.00—B.C. News.
9.10—Local News—from Rediffusion Studios.
9.15—"Blue Skies".
9.30—Sherlock Holmes—The Adventure of the Speckled Band.
10.00—Down Harmony Lane.
10.15—"The Year Alone"—War Documentary—Relay from London.
11.15—"Follow The Band".
11.45—Start-up.
12.00—Close Down.

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a.a. "CARTAGE"	20th January	20th February
a.a. "CORFU"	17th February	20th March
a.a. "CANTON"	17th March	17th April
a.a. "CARTAGE"	14th April	15th May
a.a. "CORFU"	18th May	18th June
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a.a. "BOULAN"	16th December	Genoa, Marseilles, Antwerp & Rotterdam.
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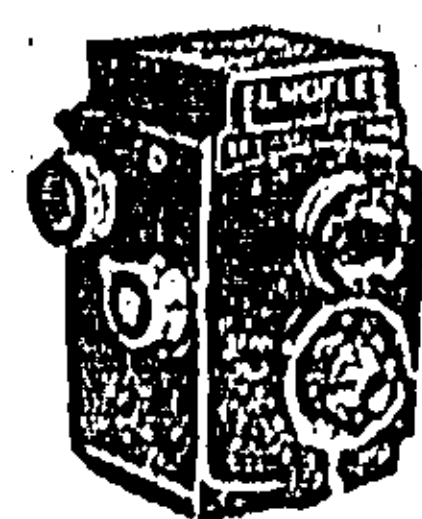
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Yachting Jottings

Mrs. Nixon Wins Ladies Autumn Series Race Easily

(By "Mainsheet Black")

The Second Ladies Autumn Series Race of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club was won easily by Mrs. Nixon, who, sailing single-handed, managed to get well ahead of the other competitors.

Light winds, which I believe to be most unusual for this period of the year in Hong Kong, again prevailed over the week-end.

Jubilers again had two minutes to spare and no boat finished in under 50 minutes. The Redwing, a new boat, also abandoned the race. The boats were topped to about 10 ft. and the race was a close one.

New times of start and finish were 11.00 a.m. and 1.00 p.m. respectively. The race was a close one and the boats were topped to about 10 ft. and the race was a close one.

A race of 10 boats was held on Sunday, December 4. The race was a close one and the boats were topped to about 10 ft. and the race was a close one.

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11th Ladies Series Race: 1st Mrs. Nixon (11.00), 2nd Turner (11.10), 3rd Turner (11.20), 4th Turner (11.30), 5th Turner (11.40), 6th Turner (11.50), 7th Turner (12.00), 8th Turner (12.10), 9th Turner (12.20), 10th Turner (12.30).

12th Ladies Series Race: 1st Mrs. Nixon (11.00), 2nd Turner (11.10), 3rd Turner (11.20), 4th Turner (11.30), 5th Turner (11.40), 6th Turner (11.50), 7th Turner (12.00), 8th Turner (12.10), 9th Turner (12.20), 10th Turner (12.30).

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14th Ladies Series Race: 1st Mrs. Nixon (11.00), 2nd Turner (11.10), 3rd Turner (11.20), 4th Turner (11.30), 5th Turner (11.40), 6th Turner (11.50), 7th Turner (12.00), 8th Turner (12.10), 9th Turner (12.20), 10th Turner (12.30).

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16th Ladies Series Race: 1st Mrs. Nixon (11.00), 2nd Turner (11.10), 3rd Turner (11.20), 4th Turner (11.30), 5th Turner (11.40), 6th Turner (11.50), 7th Turner (12.00), 8th Turner (12.10), 9th Turner (12.20), 10th Turner (12.30).

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18th Ladies Series Race: 1st Mrs. Nixon (11.00), 2nd Turner (11.10), 3rd Turner (11.20), 4th Turner (11.30), 5th Turner (11.40), 6th Turner (11.50), 7th Turner (12.00), 8th Turner (12.10), 9th Turner (12.20), 10th Turner (12.30).

19th Ladies Series Race: 1st Mrs. Nixon (11.00), 2nd Turner (11.10), 3rd Turner (11.20), 4th Turner (11.30), 5th Turner (11.40), 6th Turner (11.50), 7th Turner (12.00), 8th Turner (12.10), 9th Turner (12.20), 10th Turner (12.30).

20th Ladies Series Race: 1st Mrs. Nixon (11.00), 2nd Turner (11.10), 3rd Turner (11.20), 4th Turner (11.30), 5th Turner (11.40), 6th Turner (11.50), 7th Turner (12.00), 8th Turner (12.10), 9th Turner (12.20), 10th Turner (12.30).

21st Ladies Series Race: 1st Mrs. Nixon (11.00), 2nd Turner (11.10), 3rd Turner (11.20), 4th Turner (11.30), 5th Turner (11.40), 6th Turner (11.50), 7th Turner (12.00), 8th Turner (12.10), 9th Turner (12.20), 10th Turner (12.30).

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23rd Ladies Series Race: 1st Mrs. Nixon (11.00), 2nd Turner (11.10), 3rd Turner (11.20), 4th Turner (11.30), 5th Turner (11.40), 6th Turner (11.50), 7th Turner (12.00), 8th Turner (12.10), 9th Turner (12.20), 10th Turner (12.30).

24th Ladies Series Race: 1st Mrs. Nixon (11.00), 2nd Turner (11.10), 3rd Turner (11.20), 4th Turner (11.30), 5th Turner (11.40), 6th Turner (11.50), 7th Turner (12.00), 8th Turner (12.10), 9th Turner (12.20), 10th Turner (12.30).

25th Ladies Series Race: 1st Mrs. Nixon (11.00), 2nd Turner (11.10), 3rd Turner (11.20), 4th Turner (11.30), 5th Turner (11.40), 6th Turner (11.50), 7th Turner (12.00), 8th Turner (12.10), 9th Turner (12.20), 10th Turner (12.30).

Loyalty Of Manchester U. Players

London, December 5. With soccer stars so frequently clamouring for transfers, it is something unusual to find nine first-rank players of one club completing, in the same season, a five years' period of unbroken service to their club.

At the end of the season, nine of Manchester United's players will complete their five-year terms and the club is to reward them for their good play and loyalty by paying them the maximum permissible benefit of £750.

The club, therefore, subject to the approval of the Football League, will pay out £2,750 in benefit money a record for one season.

This is a tribute to the team spirit and loyalty which last season earned the club their record profit of £50,810. While permitting the payment of £750 to a player after five years' service with a club, the Football League does not make this benefit compulsory, and there have been complaints by players in the past that their clubs did not allow them the full permissible benefit.

With so much dissatisfied rate among football professionals of recent years, Manchester United's string have remained happy with their club. This latest action of the club seems certain to confirm their strong loyalty.

Cricket members of the Hong Kong Civil Service will play HKCC "Occasionals" on the Chater Road Ground on Sunday, December 11, play commencing at 11 a.m.

The team selected is as follows: J. Barrow, W. Bond, W. H. Colledge, J. Gee, F. Howarth, F. C. Lawrence, T. Mahon, D. McLeish, J. B. Richardson, A. Weir and F. A. Waller.

Any member of the selected side who is unable to play is requested to phone J. F. Richardson, Telephone No. 39625.

KITC HOCKEY TEAM
The following have been selected to represent the KITC in a friendly hockey match against the 8th Medium Regiment Hockey XV at Sookampoo tomorrow at 4.15 p.m. sharp.

Hardyal Singh, J. S. Dillon, R. Webb, Balwant Singh, M. H. Hassan, (captain), Subedar Bhagat Singh, Lall Singh, Rattan Singh, U. S. Dillon, Mickey Ram, Gurbux Singh.

Reserve: Lalchand, Umrao, S. Grewal. Colour of Shirt: Yellow and Black.

RASC HOCKEY TEAM
The following have been selected to represent the RASC in a friendly hockey match to be played at RAF Station Kai Tak, on tomorrow, Bully off 4.15 p.m.

Sgt. Kelly, (27 Coy), Lieut. Brooks, (531 Sup), S/Sgt. Firth, (18 Coy), Lieut. Day, (187 Coy), Major Mitchell (8 Coy), Major Jarrett (Capt), (53 Supply), Dep. Lieut. Newman, (933 Coy), Capt. Fenner, (933 Coy), Major Lumbie, (27 Coy), Capt. Deal (HQ 27 I Bde).

Reserve: S/Sgt. Forrest (933 Coy) and Dvr Boyton (27 Coy).

BILL JOHNSTON HAS FIRST LIGHT PRACTICE
Capt. Johnston, Australian Light Infantry, fast medium bowler, who was injured in a car crash in October, had his first light practice in the note today after a thorough medical examination.

Bowling at restrained speed to Keith Miller, he showed no ill effects, and it is possible that he will be fit for the first Test against South Africa which starts in Johannesburg on December 24.

Tottenham Score



Lee Bennett, Tottenham inside-right scores his team's first goal during the match against Queen's Park Rangers at Tottenham, London, on November 26. Tottenham won 3-0. Associated Press Photo

Cut Out These Soccer Delays

(By Raymond Glendonning)

Referees are continually under the lash of criticism. I am not going to join the ranks of the referees, because everybody knows the men in the middle have soccer's toughest job—and certainly not the best paid.

But some referees bring the wrath of the barrackers about their heads as a result of simple and unnecessary mistakes.

One of the most glaring these days is the habit of turning a Nelson eye on the rule about touching injured players.

At many games this season I have seen referees permitting long-drawn-out first-aid treatment of slightly injured players.

The rule is crystal clear: "A player who is able to go to the touch or exchange for another of any kind shall not be treated on the field of play."

Rule Ignored
Week after week this rule is ignored and you see trainers treating slightly injured men, while other players stand by the opportunity of using the "magic sponge."

It is a practice that should be stopped right away. It leads to irritating stoppages for which extra time is always allowed. The referee is backed even when he does obey the rule. I have heard them booed by fans when they have had men removed, but these jeers come only from the ill-informed, who seldom look at a rule book.

CLUB "B" XI
The following have been selected to represent the Club "B" XI in a friendly match against the 1st Buffs on the Club ground to-day. Players are requested to be ready to play at 6.00 p.m.

O. Stuart, M. Lovatt, N. Selater, V. Roberts, A. Stewart, G. Runcie, J. Martin, K. Baker, D. Rowden, L. King, W. Howard, E. Brown, J. Bessley, G. Poplam and J. Cowley.

Reserves: J. Gauntlett, F. Thorp, T. Morgan and M. Douglas.

POLICE-COMMANDO RUGGER GAME TODAY
The Rugby Cup Tournament match between the Police XV and the Commandos XV will be played on the Club ground, Happy Valley, at 4 p.m. today. The match was postponed previously.

LIVERPOOL BEAT A.K. 4-2
London, December 5. The A.K. Football Club of Stokeholm lost to Liverpool, the Division F League leaders, by four goals to two at Liverpool today after having led the unbeaten English team by one goal to nil at half-time. —Reuter.

CLUB SOCCER TRIAL
In a trial soccer match played at the Hong Kong Football Club yesterday afternoon, Club "A" beat Club "B" by four goals to three.

"Halsinborg In Hong Kong" On The Screen Today

"Halsinborg In Hong Kong"—Yung Hwa's pictorial record of the Halsinborg Swedish football team's visit to Hong Kong, will open at the Queen's and Alhambra Theatres today.

There will be seven shows daily—12 noon, 2.30 p.m., 4 p.m., 5.30 p.m., 7 p.m., 8.30 p.m. and 9.30 p.m.

Yung Hwa Studios decided to make this film in order to give Hong Kong soccer fans, who were unable to procure tickets for the three games, a chance to see some typical examples of the Swedish players in action.

"Halsinborg in Hong Kong" is not intended to be news-reel of the games, but a camera record of the finer points in attack and defence.

Shown to advantage is the fine positional play of the Swedes, their keen anticipation, the flashing runs of their right-winger, Martensson, the solid defence of the goal-keeper and the backs.

In addition, there are some good shots of different Hong Kong players, including the Chinese stars, Santos and, needless to say, Tipuani, who played a sterling defensive game.

The film opens with close-ups of Lee Wai-tong, famous Chinese International and Olympic coach and that well known sportsman, Mr. A. H. Lee, both of whom have something to say on the lessons imparted by the Swedes to local players.

For the benefit of Chinese sports fans, the commentary is in Cantonese. The film will run for about one hour.

The first picture of its kind produced in the Far East, "Halsinborg in Hong Kong" will also be screened in Singapore and other parts of South-East Asia, where there is keen interest in Association football.

The film was made with the co-operation and assistance of the Hong Kong Football Association.

BLIND MEN'S CRICKET TEAM
Sydney, December 5. Five totally blind and six partially blind men will travel to Hobart, Tasmania, in January, to play in a blind cricketers' carnival.

Belonging to the Royal Sydney Blind Institute cricket team, they play cricket with a cane ball and have bells on the balls. When a batsman hits a ball on the stumps and the ball knows in what direction to aim.

"Blind cricket is no hit or miss business—we have it down to a fine art," said 29-year-old team member Vic Henderson. Totally blind since an accident when he was seven years old, he is a keen batsman and fielder.

Totally blind Charlie Stanton is the chairman of the Cricket Club and has led it for 20 years. The team's best batsman and fielder is 28-year-old Roy Holborn, who is partially blind. In matches the partially blind men help the totally blind—United Press.

FRENCH F.A. SELECT NATIONAL TEAM
Paris, December 5. The French Football Federation's national team selectors tonight chose 14 players to travel to Florence for the third and last World Cup game against Yugoslavia next Sunday.

The match will decide which team will go to Rio de Janeiro for the finals next June.

The final selection of the team, which leaves by the Rome Express on Thursday, will be made on the grounds. The 14 players are: goal-keepers Abd. El Irir and Rene Vignal; backs Jean. Frey and Roger Marcha; half-backs Antoine Oussard, Louis Hon, Jean Luciano and Henri Guerin; forwards Martin Walter, Roger Gennelle, Andre Labordet, Jean Baratte, Francis Meano and Jean Lecharre.

Louis Hon is at present on the sick list and should not be fit on Thursday. He will be replaced by Jean Gregoire. —Reuter.

SNOOKER TOURNAMENT
London, December 5. Albert Brown, winner of the qualifying section, led Sydney Smith, the only unbeaten competitor, by five frames to one at the interval on the first day of their three-day match in the £1,200 News of the World snooker tournament.

Brown receives six points at the Leicester Square Hall, London. The scores (Brown first) were: 41 to 75; 88 to 88; 87 to 88; 71 to 86; 97 to 44; 74 to 82. —Reuter.

CAF PLANE LEAVES COLONY
The Chinese Air Force plane which made a forced landing at Kai Tak last week took off for Taiwan early yesterday morning.

The plane, which was flying from Chungking to Kowloon, developed engine trouble on the way, which forced it to stop here. The aircraft, a C-45, took off yesterday after the faulty engine had been changed.

Karachi, December 5. Three of five Chinese Nationalist generals who escaped the Communists by trekking across the Himalayas into Pakistan are stranded here because they cannot get visas to Hong Kong. —Reuter.

Play "Trials" On The Continent

(By John Caray,airo and Manchester United)

It is not too early to start thinking about Rio—and obviously both England and Scotland are planning that way.

England are certain to go whether they finish as international champions or not. Scotland say they will not make the trip unless they load, or are joint loaders, after the Scotland-England match at Hampden Park next April.

Elko has passed out. Our defeat by Sweden ruled us out of the reckoning, and although so many of the Elko team which capitulated had to make the journey by plane on the morning of the match, reaching Dublin only two hours or so before the start, I make no excuses. It would not have made any difference.

There are many problems affecting players who go to Rio. The most important consideration concerns the type of equipment necessary. For example, what kind of soccer boots should be worn? Obviously, on the hard grounds on which the World Cup games will be played, the British boot would not be suitable and either rubber studs or felt bars are necessary.

Alternatively, a soft canvas-like shoe, with rubber studs, may be preferred. Arsenal wore them on their visit there 12 months ago and still use them here when the grounds are hard. I know their value because, when I have played for Elko teams in Italy, Spain or Portugal, we have worn the same pattern of shoe.

Charlie Milton, of Manchester United, tried that out earlier in the season when the grounds were like concrete.

The British will also require "hefty" jerseys and knickers. They will be of the cotton variety and the knickers shorter than we have here because when the boots provide for greater freedom of the limbs in the difficult conditions.

Vital Factor
Becoming acclimatised to the conditions is another vital factor. I know the British authorities will not whisk the players away from our climate to Rio and expect them to start the games within a few days of arriving. That would be hopeless. The players need either:

(1) Gradual settling down to conditions by a three-week stay in Brazil (which I do not favour, incidentally);

(2) A series of matches in Spain, Portugal or Italy to give them a "warming-up" before travelling to Rio.

I don't favour a three-week stay in Brazil because there will be a lot of hero-worship—the Brazilian and Argentine football which can be just as damaging. So I think we shall see the British players having try-out games in the countries I have mentioned.

One or two matches could also be played against the Continentals, of course, to provide additional interest in our visits.

Before the Elko-Sweden match in Dublin I was introduced to one of the World Cup organisers who had made the journey from Brazil. The Cup series, of course, is sponsored by the Brazilian Government but it shows how thorough they are in their arrangements. He had full authority to go ahead with provisional arrangements for the successful team, and after the match he had a long talk with the Swedish officials concerning a proposed itinerary.

Will Britain win the Cup? I cannot say, though I know they will give a good account of themselves. If the games were to be played in our climate I would fancy their chances much better, but the Hampden game may not be anything approaching the enthusiasm displayed by 100,000 people in Rio.

STEWART'S CONDITION SATISFACTORY
Singapore, December 5. A hospital bulletin said today that Mr. Stewart, British Governor of Sarawak, Borneo, victim of an assassination attempt, "passed a fair night and his condition is satisfactory."

Mr. Stewart was brought by plane to Singapore. Two Malay youths were charged with attempted murder yesterday in connection with the attempt on his life. A Sarawak Government communiqué said: —Associated Press.

CHINESE HUKUANG RAILWAYS BONDS
London, December 5. The sale of the Chinese Hukuang Railways "Sinking Fund Gold Bonds" was "temporarily suspended" today in the London market.

The announcement was made by the Chinese Nationalist government in a nine-line advertisement in the front page of "The Times." —United Press.

QUINTS BORN IN COLOMBIA
Madellin, Colombia, December 5. Quintuplets—five boys and all in good health—were born several days ago to Maria Arroyave in the little town of Angostura.

Reports of the birth arrived by telegram from the Mayor of Angostura only yesterday.

The quintuplets have been baptised: Formin, Ramiro, Rodrigo, Nabor and Francisco. Their father's name is Alfonso. —Associated Press.

U.S. Firm Offers To Furnish Ships For Japan
Tokyo, December 5. Transport Ministry officials said today they were considering a proposal from the American Steamship Company for inauguration of a tentative named "International Steamship Lines," in which Japanese would operate 500,000 tons of shipping to be furnished by a United States firm.

The officials said the plan called for 50 per cent American investment which will take the form principally of 500,000 tons of shipping consisting of average 4,000-ton vessels.

The crews, totalling 10,000 men, will all be Japanese.

Japan will pay an annual charge of \$10,000,000 and all the ships will ply between Japanese and American ports. —United Press.

Ward Party Includes 28 Persons
Kobe, December 5. The American rescue ship Lakeland Victory has been ordered to pick up 28 persons at Taku Bar, raising the possibility today that other Americans in North China are coming out with Mr. Augustus Ward's Mukden Consulate staff.

The original State Department announcement gave a figure which was about 10 below the latest figure.

The Lakeland Victory's master, Captain Paul Sexton, of Palo Alto, California, said no explanation of the increased passenger list was given by the U. S. State Department instructions received by the Pacific Far East Lines agents in Japan. He said he was informed the party now includes Mr. Ward, the Vice Consul, Mr. William Stokes, 12 other men, nine women and four children, including one baby.

First Time In
Captain Sexton said he had never taken a ship into Taku Bar, port for Tientsin. "But I have gone into a lot of strange harbours in my time."

The Lakeland Victory sails from Kobe at 7 a.m. GMT (3 p.m. HK time) Wednesday, stopping briefly at Pusan, Korea on Friday morning. It is expected to arrive at Taku Bar on Sunday evening.

The ship is taking 500 tons of cargo to the Communist North China port, including Japanese galvanised iron sheets raw cotton, which were in Kobe warehouses. The cotton was en route to Tientsin last January when the Communists took the city and the private traders handling the shipment stored it here since. —United Press.

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